

Banks of the Ohio

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My love asked me to take a walk
Just to walk, a little way
And as we walked along we talked
Of when would be our wedding dayWe walked beneath the whispering pines
His heart was filled with love divine
And as we neared the riverside
He asked me when I'd be his brideOh no, your bride, I'll never be
Another one's prepared for me
And as I drew my hand from his
His heart was filled with fire divineHe drew his knife across my breast
And in his arms I gently pressed
Willy, dear, don't murder me
For I am not prepared to dieHe took me by my golden curls
He drug me down to the riverside
And as he threw me into drown
He watched me as I floated downHe started home 'tween twelve and one
Thinking on the deed he'd done
Murdered just the one he loved
Because I would not be his bride

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