

The wild rover

I've been a wild rover for many's the year
 And I've spent all my money on whiskey and beer.
 But now I'm returning with gold in great store
 And I never will play the wild rover no more

Refrein:

***And it's no, nay, never,
 No, nay, never, no more
 Will I play the wild rover
 No, never, no more***

I went into an ale-house I used to frequent
 And I told the landlady my money was spent.
 I asked her for credit, she answered me "nay",
 "Such a custom like yours I can have any day"

Refrein:

Then I took from my pocket ten sovereigns bright
 And the landlady's eyes opened wide with delight.
 She says "I have whiskey and wines of the best
 And the words that you told me were only injest".

Refrein:

I'll go home to my parents, confess what I've done,
 And I'll ask them to pardon their prodigal son.
 And when they've caressed me as oft' times before
 Then I never will play the wild rover no more

Refrein: (2x)