PATRICK STREET

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You sailors all come lend an ear and listen to my song

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Tis of a trick was played on me, and won't detain you long

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Came home from sea the other day, a girl I chanced to meet

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And she's asked me up along with her to dance in Patrick Street

Well says I "my pretty bonny lass, I canna dance too well,

Besides, I'm bound for Neury town, my parents there do dwell

I've been at sea these past few years and saved up fifty pounds

And my parents are expecting me tonight in Neury town."

"Well, since you canna dance too well then you shall have a treat

You can have a glass of brandy and something nice to eat

At nine o'clock this evening I'll lead you to your train

But don't forget to call on me when you come back again."

Well she seemed to be so friendly, I went to hire a car.

We both went down to Patrick Street and on arriving there

The people on the other side, I thought I heard them say

"Oh, he's sure to need a trumping card before he gets away."

Well we had not been long in the room when whiskey it came in

When everyone had had their fill the dancing did begin

Me and my love, we danced around, all to a merry tune

While the other couples did their double shuffle 'round the room

And when dancing it was over, to bed we did repair

And after that I fell asleep, the truth I do declair.

Me darlin and me fifty pounds, my gold and love had fled

And there was I muself alone, stark naked on the bed.

I'm gazing all around the room and nothing could I spy

But a woman's skirt and jumper at the foot of the bed did lie

I wrung my hands, I tore my hair, Crying "Oh what shall I do?

Oh fare thee well, sweet Neury town, I'm sure I'll never see you."

When Night time it had come again and daylight was away

I put on the skirt and jumper and I set off for the quay

And when I went on board the ship, the sailors all did say

"Well Jack has grown much prettier since last she went away."

And "Is this the new spring fasion you went to buy on shore?"

"Where's the shop that sells them,

do you think they may have more?"

The Captain said "Now Jack, I thought you were for Neury town.

You might have bought a better suit than that for fifty pound!"

Well, I might have bought a better suit if I had had a chance

But I met a girl in High street and she's asked me to a dance.

I danced my own destruction and I done it so complete

That I vow I'll never go back again to dance in Patrick street!

Come all ye young sailor lads, a warning take by me,

And always keep a company when you go on a spree.

Be sure to stay clear of Patrick street or else you'll rue the day

In a woman's skirt and jumper they will ship you back to sea.