The Butcher Boy

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In more street where I did dwell A butcher boy I loved right well He courted me my life away And now with me he will not stay I wish, I wish, I wish in vain I wish I was a maid again But a maid again I'll never be Till cherries grow on an apple tree I wish my baby it was born And smiling on it's daddy's knee And me poor girl to be dead and gone With the long green grass growing over me He went upstairs and the door he broke He found her hanging from a rope He took his knife and he cut her down And in her pocket these words he found "oh make my grave large, wide and deep Put a marble stone at my head and feet And in the middle a turtle dove So the world may know I died of love"