Wildwood Flower

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She'll twine and she'll mingle her waving black hair With the roses so red and the lilies so fair With miles so green like an emerald hew The pale and the nature and violet to blue

He promised to love her, he promised to love To cherish her always, to others above. She woke from her dream, and her idol was clay Her passion for loving had vanished away.

He taught her to love him; he called her his flower A blossom to cheer him through life's weary hour Though her heart now is breaking sha'll never know How his name makes her tremble, with pale cheeks to glow

She'll dance and she'll sing her life shall be gay She'll banish his weeping, drive troubles away She'll live yet to see him regret this dark hour When we won and neglected this frail wild wood flower