

It's of a fair and handsome girl  
She's all in her tender years  
She fell in love with a sailor boy  
And it's true she loved him well  
For to go off to sea with him like she did not know how  
She longed to see that seaport town  
Called Canadee-I-o  
So she bargained with a young sailor boy  
Sold for a piece of gold  
Straightway he led her down  
All down into the hold  
Saying "I'll dress you up in sailor's clothes,  
Your jacket shall be blue, and you'll see that  
Sea-port town called Canadee-I-o."  
Now when the other sailors heard the news  
They fell into a rage  
And with their whole ship's company  
They were willing to engage  
Sayin' "We'll bind her hands and feet me boys,  
And overboard we'll throw her,  
She'll never see that seaport town  
Called Canadee-I-o."  
Now when the Captain he's heard the news  
He too fell in a rage  
And with his whole ship's company  
He was ready to engage  
Saying "She'll stay all in Sailor's clothes,  
Her collar shall be blue,  
And she'll see that seaport town  
Called Canadee-I-o."  
When they sailed down to Canada  
Scare above half a year  
She's married this bold Captain who called her his dear  
She's dressed in silks and satins now  
And she cuts a gallant shawl  
She's the finest of the ladies down  
In Canadee-I-o  
So come all you fair and tender girls  
Wheresoever you may be  
I'd have you to follow your own true love  
When he goes out on the sea  
For if the sailors they prove false to you  
The Captain he might prove true  
You see the honor I have gained from  
The wearing of the blue