she's like the swallow that flies so high oh -- she's like the river that never runs dry she's like the sunshine on the lee shore I love my love and love is no more oh --

a maiden into the garden did go a-pickin' the beautiful, primitive rose all the more she plucked, the more she did pull until she got her apron full

and out of the roses she made a bed a scarlet pillow for her head she lay her down, no word did she speak and then this fair maiden's heart it did break

she's like the swallow that flies so high and she's like the river that never runs dry she's like the sunshine on the lee shore I love my love and love is no, no more no, no more

she's like the swallow she's like the river