

I've been a wild rover for many a year
And I've spent all me money on whiskey and beer
But now I'm returning with gold in great store
And I never will play the wild rover no more

And it's no, nay, never - - - -

No, nay, never no more

Will I play the wild rover

No never no more

I went to an alehouse I used to frequent
And I told the landlady me money was spent
I asked her for credit, she answered me "Nay
Such a custom as yours I can have any day"

And it's no, nay, never - - - -

I brought from me pocket ten sov-e-reigns bright
And the landlady's eyes opened wide with delight
She said "I have whiskeys and wines of the best
And the words that you told me were only in jest"

And it's no, nay, never - - - -

I'll go home to me parents, confess what I've done
And I'll ask them to pardon their prodigal son
And when they've caressed me, as oft times before
Then I never will play the wild rover no more

And it's no, nay, never - - - - (repeat)