Bread And Bones, Fair And Tender Ladies

Come all you fair and tender ladies Be careful how you court your men They're like the stars that rise in morning They first appear and then they're gone

If I had known before I courted I swear I would have courted none I'd lock my heart in a box so golden And seal it up with a silver pin

I wish I were some tiny sparrow That I had wings and I could fly I'd fly straight away to my false lover And sing and call with every lie

But I am not some tiny sparrow I have no wings, I can not fly I bide my time and weep my sorrow And try to pass my troubles by

Do you recall our days of courting You lay your head upon my breast I'd have believed with all your lying That the sun rose in the west

So all you fair and tender ladies Be careful how you court young men They're like the stars that rise in morning They first appear and then they're gone They just appear and then they're gone They just appear and then they're gone