The Stanley Brothers, Pretty Little Miss

Pretty little miss out in the garden Strange young man came riding by Down at the gate he did address her Saying pretty little miss won't you marry me

Oh no my love is on the ocean Seven years out on the sea And if he sails seven years longer No man on earth can marry me

Perhaps your loved one he is drowned Perhaps he's in some battle land Perhaps he stole some girl and married You'll never see your love again

If he is drowned I hope he's happy Or if he's in some battle land Or if he stole some girl and married I'll love the girl that married him

He pulled his hand out of his pockets His fingers being keen and small This is the ring you placed upon here Down by his feet she did fall

He picked her up in arms so tender Kisses he gave her one two three This is your little single soldier Returning home to marry thee