

The Young Fisherman

(The Bold Fisherman)

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff is in 5/4 time and contains the lyrics: "1. As I walked out ___ one May mor-nin' down by a ri - - ver side, and". The second staff is in 5/4 time and contains the lyrics: "(a) there I saw a young Fish - er - man ___ come row - ing down ___ the tide, come". The third staff is in 5/4 time and contains the lyrics: "row-ing down _the Tide and there I saw a young fish-er-man _come rowi-ng down _the tide". The fourth staff is in 5/4 time and contains the lyrics: "(a)".

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| <p>2. "Good morning, morning, young fisherman
What brings you fishing here?"
"I've come to court some lady gay
All on the ocean clear."</p> <p>3. Then he pulled off his morning gown
And laid it on the ground
And she beheld three chains of gold
All from his neck hung down.</p> | <p>4. Then on her bended knee she fell
Aloud for mercy cried
For calling you a young fisherman
Come rowing down the tide.</p> <p>5. "Stand up, stand up, you gay lady
Stand up, stand up," said he
"There's not one word that you have spoke
That have the least offended me."</p> <p>6. "I'll take you to my father's 'all
And married we shall be
And you shall have a young fisherman
To row you on the sea."</p> |
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Source: Sung by William Shepherd, Winchcombe workhouse. Collected by Percy Grainger on 5 April 1908 and by Cecil Sharp on 8 April 1909. In both cases only the tune was noted, so words have been supplied from a version sung by Mary Ann Roberts, Winchcombe.