

New Garden Fields.

1. The eight - eenth of ___ Au - - gust the date of the year. Down

by the green ___ gar - dens I first met my love. She ap - peared like some ___

God - dess or some young di - - vine, That ___ came ___ like a ___ tor - ment to ___

tor - ment my mind.

Alternative
Bars 14-16

2. "Young man, I'm no torment," these words she did say,
"I'm pulling these flowers so fresh and so gay.
I'm pulling these fowers which nature does yield,
And I take great delight in the New Garden Fields."

3. Then I said, "Lovely Mary, dare I make so bold
As your lily-white hand one moment to hold?
It would give me more pleasure than this earthly store,
So grant me this favour, I'll ask you no more."

4. "Oh then," she replied "I'm afraid you're in jest,
If I thought you in earnest, I'd count myself blest,
For my father is coming", these words she did say,
"So fare you well young man, for I must away."

5. And now she's gone and left me all in the bands of love,
King Cupid protect me, and you powers above,
King Cupid protect me, and now take my part,
For she's guilty of murder, and quite broke my heart."

6. She turned and said "Young man, I pity your moan,
I will leave you no longer to sigh all alone,
And I will go with you to some foreign part,
For you are the first one to inflame my heart."

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