

The Wild Rover

The image shows four staves of sheet music in G major (one sharp) and common time. The first staff begins with a G chord. The second staff begins with a C chord. The third staff begins with a D chord. The fourth staff begins with a G chord.

I've been a wild rover for many's the 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

[Chorus]
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
I told the landlady my money was spent
I ask her for credit, she answered me nay
such a custom as yours I can have any day

[Chorus]

I brought from me pocket ten sovereigns bright
and the landlady's eyes opened wide with delight
she said:'I have whiskies and wines of the best
and the words that you told me were only in jest'

[Chorus]

I'll go home to my 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
I never will play the wild rover no more

[Chorus x2]