

CLEMENTINE (PERCY MONTROSE 1884) *

C **G7**
In a cavern, in a canyon, Excavating for a mine,

C **G7** **C**
Lived a miner, forty-niner. and his daughter Clementine.

Chorus:

Oh my darling, oh my darling, Oh my darling, Clementine
You are lost and gone forever, Dreadful sorry, Clementine.

Light she was and like a fairy, and her shoes were number nine,
Herring boxes without topses, Sandals were for Clementine (Chorus)

Drove she ducklings to the water every morning just at nine,
Hit her foot against a splinter, fell into the foaming brine (Chorus)

Ruby lips above the water, Blowing bubbles soft and fine,
But alas, I was no swimmer, So I lost my Clementine. (Chorus)

*Oh My Darling, Clementine is an American western folk ballad usually credited to Percy Montrose (1884), although it is sometimes credited to Barker Bradford. The song is believed to have been based on another song called Down by the River Liv'd a Maiden by H. S. Thompson (1863). en.wikipedia.org