Oh, She's Gone, Gone, Gone

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1. Sent my brown jug down - town, sent my brown jug down - town.

It came back with the walls a - round,

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Sent my brown jug___ down - town, so ear - ly in the morn - ing. It came back with the walls a - round, so ear - ly in the morn - ing.



Rail-road, steam - boat, riv-er and ca-noe, Lost my true love, don't know what to do.



Oh, she's gone, gone, gone, Oh, she's gone, gone, gone, Oh she's gone on that rag-ing ca-noe. Let her go, go, go, Let her go, go, Let her go on that rag-ing ca-noe.

Verses: 2. I'm my mama's darling child (3x)

If I was to marry she'd go wild.

(Chorus)

3. Love somebody, O yes, I do (3x)
I'll bet you a nickel you can't guess who.
(Chorus)

Game Instructions

Formation: A circle of partners, facing the center, girl on boy's right.

Action:

- 1. Circle left for 16 beats, walking step, while singing the first two lines.
- 2. Circle back to the right on the second two lines.
- 3. On the words "railroad, steamboat," do allemande right, followed by allemande left. That is, partners join right hands, walk around each other; then join left hand with girl who was on his left, and return to original partner.
- 4. Join hands with partner and take four close steps to the boy's left; step-close 4 times, on words "Oh, she's gone, gone, gone." Turn partner in four walking steps on line ending with "raging canoe."
- 5. Boy leaves partner, moves left to a new partner and repeats figure 4, ending with new girl on boy's right.