

The Mockingbird #1

Informant/Performer:
Annie Brewer
Montgomery, AL, 1937

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2. If that mockingbird won't sing,
Mama's gonna buy you a diamond ring.
3. If that diamond ring turns brass,
Mama's gonna buy you a looking glass.
4. If that looking glass gets broke,
Mama's gonna buy you a billy goat.
5. If that billy goat won't pull,
Mama's gonna buy you a cart and bull.
6. If that cart and bull turn over,
Mama's gonna buy you a dog named Rover.
7. If that dog named Rover won't bark,
Mama's gonna buy you a horse and cart.
8. If that horse and cart fall down,
You'll still be the prettiest little girl in town.