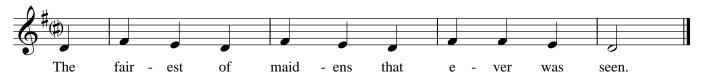
Green Gravel

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- 2. Miss Mary, Miss Mary, your sweetheart is dead. The king sends you a letter, so turn back your head.
- 3. Green gravel, green gravel, the grass is so green, All over creation a shame to be seen.
- 4. Miss Mary, Miss Mary, your true love's not slain; The king sends you a letter, so turn round again.

Game Directions

The players form a circle and march around clockwise hand in hand as they sing. When Miss Mary is addressed, she turns her head to the right and marches backward (or turns out and rejoins hands facing out from center.) As the first stanza is repeated, the person to the right becomes Miss Mary, and so on until all in the circle are marching one way and looking the other. Then the second stanza is sung, and all players turn heads to the left (or turn back to inside of circle) and repeat the game if desired.