

 I've been a wild rover for many a year, And I've spent all my money on whiskey and beer, But now I'm returning with gold in great store, And I never shall play the wild rover no more.

**CHORUS** 

No, no, never! never no more! Never, never again shall I play The wild rover no more.

- 2. I went up to a shanty I used to frequent, I told the landlady my money was spent, I asked her for credit, she answered me nay, "Such custom as yours I can get any day!"
- 3. Then I drew from my pocket ten sovereigns bright, And the landlady's eyes opened wide with delight, Said she, "I have whiskey and wines of the best, And the words that I uttered were only in jest."
- 4. There were Kitty and Betsy and Margaret and Sue, And three or four more that belonged to that crew, We'd sit up till midnight and make the place roar, I've been a wild boy but I'll be so no more.
- 5. I'll go home to my parents, confess what I've done, And ask them to pardon their prodigal son, And if they will do so, as they've done before, I never will play the wild rover no more.

