Arise! Arise!



Arise, arise, you slumbering sleeper Arise, arise, 'tis almost day Go open your doors, your doors and windows And hear what your true love doth say

Oh who is this that knocks at my window That speaks my name so familiarly? 'Tis James, 'tis James, your own true lover That wants to speak one word to thee

Go away from my window, you'll waken my father He's lying now a-taking his rest And in his hand he holds a weapon To kill the one that my heart loves best

Go away from my window, you'll waken my mother Such tales of love she scorns to hear You?d better go court, go court some other She kindly whispered in my ear

I won't go court, go court some other By what I say I mean no harm I want to win you from your mother A rest you in a true love's arms

O down in yon valley there grows a green willow I wish it were across my breast It might cut off all grief and sorrow And set my troubled mind at rest