LOWLANDS OF HOLLAND

THE NIGHT THAT I WAS MARRIED
AND IN MY MARRIAGE BED
THERE CAME A BOLD SEA-CAPTAIN
AND HE STOOD AT MY BED-HEAD
SAYING "ARISE, ARISE, YOUNG WEDDED MAN,
AND COME ALONG WITH ME TO THE LOWLANDS OF HOLLAND
FOR TO FIGHT THE ENEMY!"

OH HOLLAND IS A LOVELY LAND
AND IN IT GROWS FINE GRAIN
IT IS A PLACE OF RESIDENCE
FOR SOLDIERS TO REMAIN
THE SUGAR CANE GROWS PLENTIFUL
AND TEA GROWS ON EACH TREE
I NEVER HAD BUT THE ONE TRUE LOVE
NOW HE'S GONE FAR AWAY FROM ME!

SAID THE MOTHER TO HER DAUGHTER
"LEAVE OFF YOUR SORE LAMENT!
IS THERE NE'ER A MAN IN GALWAY TOWN
TO BE YOUR HEART'S CONTENT?"
"THERE ARE MEN ENOUGH IN GALWAY TOWN,
BUT ALAS THERE'S NONE FOR ME
SINCE HIGH WINDS AND STORMY SEAS
HAVE PARTED MY LOVE AND ME ...

"I'LL WEAR NO STAYS AROUND MY WAIST
NO COMB ALL IN MY HAIR
I'LL WEAR NO HANDKERCHIEF ROUND MY NECK
FOR TO SHADE MY BEAUTY BARE
AND NEVER WILL I MARRY
UNTIL THE DAY I DIE
FOR THE LOW LOW LANDS OF HOLLAND
HAVE PARTED MY LOVE AND I!"