

I've Just Come From Sydney

From 'The Queensland Centenary Pocket Songbook' (1959); this ditty was collected from Mr Dixon from Pittsworth in the Darling Downs by Hilda Lane.

I've just come from Syd - ney a - - cross the range of moun - tains

Where the nan - ny - goats and the bill - y - goats and the moo - cows do dwell;

I've come here in search of a pretty little maiden,
Though where she is now I ca-annot tell.

Oh how shall I find her? To you I'll describe her:
She wears a flannel petticoat and a hat upon her head;

She sleeps when she's walking and snores when she's talking,
And her clothes are all marked with a W X Y Z.

Oh where shall I find her? She ran away with a Chinaman!
Farewell to the nannygoats and the billygoats so high,

Farewell to the moo-cows! By the seaside I'll wander,
And in its cold waters I'll lay me down and . . . (spoken) get up again.