

Wild Rover No More

This version as learnt at the Bush Music Club, Sydney from the singing of Joe Cashmere, collected by John Meredith.

Verse

9 I've been a wild ro-ver for man-y a year, And spent all my mon-ey on whisk-y and beer; But
now I'm re - turn - ing with gold in great store, And I nev - er shall play the wild ro-ver no more

17 **Chorus**
And it's No, nay, nev - er! Nev - - er no more;

26 nev - er ev - er a - - gain shall I play the wild ro-ver no more.

The musical notation is in 3/4 time, featuring a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (F major). The first line (measures 1-8) has a C chord above measures 1-2, a G7 chord above measures 3-4, and a C chord above measures 5-8. The second line (measures 9-16) has a C chord above measures 9-10, an F chord above measures 11-12, a G7 chord above measures 13-14, and a C chord above measures 15-16. The third line (measures 17-25) has a C chord above measures 17-18, an F chord above measures 19-20, and a C chord above measures 21-25. The fourth line (measures 26-32) has an F chord above measures 26-27, a C chord above measures 28-29, a G7 chord above measures 30-31, and a C chord above measures 32-33.

I dropt into a shanty I used to frequent,
And told the landlady my money was spent;
I asked her for credit; she answered me "Nay,
Such custom as yours I can get every day."

Then I drew my pocket ten sovereigns bright;
The landlady's eyes sparkled then with delight
Said she "I've whisky and wines of the best,
And the words I just uttered were only in jest."

I'll go home to my parents, tell them what I've done,
And ask them to pardon their prodigal son;
And if they will do it, as they've done before,
Then I never shall play the wild rover no more.