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Mrs Marina Russell, Upwey coll. HED Hammond

Jack the Sailor

♩ = 140



Transcribed from HAM-02-245 – Hammond's field notes. The words are from Marina Russell, on the verso leaf opposite page 113 of Hammond's notes.

Up spoke Jack so brisk as a bee  
"You think I got no money  
But sailors they are hearty chaps  
Got gold & silver plenty."  
Then out he pulled his pocket full  
'500 Guineas in bright gold  
'Take this from Jack the Sailor"---

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Jack, the Sailor

♩ = 140



Transcribed from HAM-05-102.gif – Purslow's tune transcription. Hammond collected words from John Pauley – see below.

"Up stepped Jack"  
Up stepped Jack so nimble as a bee  
Saying where is my true love Nancy  
For she is the girl that I adore  
And the only girl I fancy  
She's oftime been where the strong winds do blow  
She's oftime faced the daring foe  
Now, come tell to me yes or no  
If you will wed Jack a sailor?  
Chorus:  
Drink, boys, drink & push the grog about  
For to-night we shall be so merry  
For my wife she is most drunk & tight  
I've brought gold & silver & jewels so bright  
And I shall sleep with her to-night  
And behave myself like a sailor.

Do you think that I come a-courting you  
With all my pockets empty?  
Oh no' says Jack 'you need not a fear  
I've gold & silver plenty  
Then into her apron Jack he told  
'500 guineas all in bright gold  
All in her lap he throwed it bold  
Saying 'Take that & wed Jack a sailor