

Kind Sir I am too young (Down by the riverside)

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The image shows a musical score for the song 'Kind Sir I am too young'. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with 'As I walked out one May morn- ing Down by the green wood side I'. The second staff continues with 'saw two lov- ers dis- cours- ing which filled my heart with pride The'. The third staff continues with 'hea- vens bless you my fair maid Sing me an- oth- er song I'. The fourth staff concludes with 'wish you was my bride my dear Kind sir, I am too young'.

1. As I walked out one May morning

Down by the green wood side

I saw two lovers discoursing

Which filled my heart with pride

The heavens bless you my fair maid,

Sing me another song

I wish you was my bride my dear,

Kind sir, I am too young

2. The younger you are my ???

The better you are for me

I oftentimes vowed [?] and do declare

I'll wed no one but thee.

And he took her to his marriage room

And then he ??? within

Words of the second verse taken from Sharp's field notebook.

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There is no entry for this song in Sharp's 'Folk Words'.