## Can't You Dance the Polka

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1. One day as I went walking down

By the Clarence Dock,

There I met an Irish girl

Conversing with Tapscott;

Chorus:

Then away, you Santy!

My dear honey!

Oh you New York girls,

Can't you dance the polka?

2. Oh good-morning Mr. Tapscott,

Oh good-morning, sir, said she;

Have you got a packet ship

To carry me across, the sea, Then away ——

3. I went down to the Fulton FerryBut I couldn't get across,I jumped on the back of the ferryboat man,And rode him like a hoss — And away ——