Maytime is Come

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Now Maytime is come and the summer draws on

The warm air is filled with the blackbird's sweet song

The hawthorn is heavy with billows of may

Like clouds in the sky on a midsummers day

Now bluebells and primroses carpet the ground
In joyous profusion their beauty abounds
The morning is clear and the weather is kind
And thoughts of my true love steal into my mind

My love he is proper, he's handsome and tall
Of all the fine young men he's finest of all
Of every companion I love him the best
When I hear his name my heart leaps in my breast

If I were a bird and I could fly free
I'd fly to the top of that sweet chestnut tree
I'd pull down a branch of its white candle flower
And I'd carry it to my sleeping loves bower

Garland of speedwell I'll weave for his head
With sweet-scented violets his pillow I'll spread
All the flowers of the field on his pathway I'll spill
Just to let my love know that I love him still