Molly Malone

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In Dublin's fair city,
where the girls are so pretty,
I first set my eyes
on sweet Molly Malone.
She wheeled a wheel barrow,
through streets broad and narrow,
crying: cockles and mussels,
a live, a live, oh!
Alive, alive, oh! Alive, alive, oh!
Crying: cockles and mussels,
a live, a live, oh!

She was a fish monger, but sure, 'twas no wonder. For so were her father and mother before. And they both wheeled their barrows, through streets broad and narrow, crying, Cockles and mussels, a-live, a-live, oh! ...

She died of a fever, no one could relieve her, and that was the end of sweet Molly Malone. But her ghost wheeles her barrow, through streets broad and narrow, crying, Cockles and mussels, a-live, a-live, oh! ...