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YOUNG WOMENS DREAMS

ROSE OF ALABAMA

Hodges from Pitt, Wholesale Toy and Marble Ware
house, 31, Street Seven Dials.

Away from Mississippi vale,
Wid my ole hat for a sail;
I cross'd upon a cotton bale,
To Rose ob Alabama.
I landed on de sandy bank,
I sat upon a holler plank,
An' dare I make the banjo twank,
To Rose ob Alabama.

O, Brown Rosey,
Rose ob Alabama,
A sweet tobacco posey,
Is rose of Alabama

O, Venus was a fine lady,
She never wore no stays, sir,
She followed all the nigger boys,
My Rosey nebber strays sir,
She's lubly and she's tender, too,
Altho' she nebber wear a shoe,
Her skin's as black as any slue,
Oh Rose of Alabama.

O, Brown Rosey &c.

She lubs this nigger berry much,
Does my darling Rosey
An' christen me Ole Nosey;
I'll lub her as I lub my life,
An' gladly make her be my wife,
An' happy lib an' ne'er hab srife,
Wid Rose of Alabama.

O, Brown Nosey &c.

YOUNG WOMENS SAYINGS.

Come all you pretty maidens from the Cook to the Queen
While I tell you concerning the young Women's, dreams,
All classes to please sure it never can fail,
If you dream of a bnstle you'll be robb'd of a veil,
If you dream of an alter it betoken much joy,
If you dream of black puddings you'll have a little boy,
Then just give attention you ladies so keen,
To a true explanation of young womens dreams.

If you dream about angels you'll be married in a week,
If you dream about monkeys you a lover will seek,
If you dream you are in a passion your true love will be
sick,
If you dream you go a fishing in a row you will get,
If you dream of getting married you'll quickly be dead,
If you are courting the stars you'll lose your maiden head,
What mirth! love and joy in my song may be seen,
The interpretation of young womens dreams

If you dream you're dressed in white your true love will
be kind,

If you dream about a cat you contention will find,
If you dream you're in a battle, or falling in the dirt,
You will have two little twin boys born without a shirt,
If you dream you are dressed in scarlet, blue or, grey,
You are snre to be a widow in a twelvemonth and a day,

If you dream of eating mutton, bacon lamb, or beef,
Its a sign you'll be troubled with a pain in the teeth,
If you dream you've given a dress fire and new,
You are sure to be married to a soldier in the blues,
If you dream you are wedded to a man mild and meek,
You are sure to be a cuckold in less than a week.

If you dream about turnips or carrots when in bed,
You'll be married to a man whose hair is red,
If you dream you are dancing so merry at a ball,
You'll be married to a man who has none at all,
If you dream you're eating fried bacon and eggs,
You'll be married to a pensioner with two wooden legs

If you dream you're in love and for a sweetheart dear,
Before the day is ended you'll get a black eye,
If you dream you are treating a midwife with gin
You will soon be confined with two large bouncing t
If you dream about fire or big cannon balls,
You'll sleep with a tailor in a cobblers stall.

If you dream you're deceived by a falsehearted man,
You will sail in a transport to Van Diemens land,
If you dream about pork you'll have a kiddy bye and bye
Marked with a pigs foot under the left eye,
If you dream about a tallyman carrying a pack,
You'll be married to a sailor with a hump upon his back

If you dream about the moon it is lucky people say,
And you'll ride down to Greenwich on a large brewers dray
If you dream by a bull you are thrown in a fright
You're sure to be kissed seven times in a night,
If you dream about committing of sin,
You are sure to get a crack with a wooden rolling pin.

If you dream you're in a garden hanging out to dry,
You're sure to be smothered in a hot damson pie,
If you dream about a millar a baker or a sack;
You'll be married to a man without a shirt to his back
If you dream you're married to a dealer in cheese
Perhaps you will tumble in a cart load of fleas.

If you dream you're in a wheat field covered with snow
A fortnight after marriage you'll be laid in the straw,
If you dream you are wrangling and causing of strife
Your husband and you will lead a cat and dog life
If you dream about ironing mangling, or pegs,
The first boy you have will have three little legs,
So now my pretty maidens so buxom and keen,
What is your opinion of the young womens dreams