

Peggy Gordon

Trad. As sung by LaRena Clark
Chord suggestions by Ian Bell

G C Em C G G Em C G C Em G Am C G

Oh Peg-gy Gor - don you are my dar - ling, Come sit your-self down be - side of me and

⁵ I will tell you the ve - ry rea - son That I can't love no one else but you

This melody seems to share a bit of musical DNA with the tune of the Scottish song "The Plowboy Laddies"

I wish I had you on Phoenix Island
Or a thousand miles from your native home
Or in some low valley, where no one could find thee
You'd be inclined for to be my own

You have not got me on Phoenix Island
Nor a thousand miles from my native home
Nor in some low valley where no one can find me
And I'm not included for to be your own

Young George Riley lived in this country
He often grieved my poor heart sore
He courted me both late and early
He courted me both night and day

He left me lonely so sad and dreary
He broke my heart that was young and gay
He courted me both late and early
He courted me both night and day

I'll go down in some lonesome valley
And there I'll spend the rest of my life
The ocean's deep and I cannot wade it
To be with Riley, to be his wife

Don't you mind Riley, but do distain him
And sail with me to some foreign shore
We'll then cross over to Pennsylvania
And adieu to Riley for evermore

I won't cross over to Pennsylvania
I won't cross over to some foreign shore
My heart lies with him and I can't forget him
If I were never to see him more