

## Gold Watch & Chain



1. Oh the white rose that blooms in the garden,  
It grows with the love of my heart,  
It broke through on the day that I met you,  
It will die on the day that we part.

**Chorus:**

Oh I'll pawn you my gold watch and chain,  
love,  
And I'll pawn you my gold diamond ring,  
I will pawn you this heart in my bosom,  
Only say that you'll love me again.

2. Darling, how could I stay here without you,  
I have nothing to cheer my poor heart,  
This old world would seem sad, love, without  
you,  
Tell me now that we never will part.

**Chorus**

3. Take back all the gifts you have given  
But a ring and a lock of your hair,  
And a card with your picture upon it,  
It's a face that is false but is fair.

**Chorus**

4. Tell me why that you do not love me,  
Tell me why that your smile is not bright,  
Tell me why you have grown so cold-hearted  
Is there no kiss for me, love, tonight?

**Chorus**

5. How dark are the clouds high above me,  
I have nothing to cheer my poor heart.  
This old world would seem sad, love, without  
you.

Tell me now that we're never to part.

**Chorus**

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At a Camden, New Jersey recording session in 1933, shortly after their separation, A.P. and Sara Carter recorded "Gold Watch and Chain", a sad and touching song about love lost.

Other songs sung by the Carter Family in this collection are:

"The Cannonball"

"Sailor on the Deep Blue Sea"

"The Storms Are On the Ocean"

I play this on the autoharp.