

I Never Loved But One

The Carter Family

Onward to the eastern skies
With mooring efforts kissed the sea
I sigh and think of those blue eyes
That have hope and love for me

For they, o they have stole away
The heart that truly once was mine
Like some lone bird without a mate
My weary heart is desolate

I look around but cannot trace
One welcome word or smiling face
In gazing crowds I am alone
Because I never loved but one

Come up closer to me now
Your chestnut hair is touched with snow
But still it is the same dear face
I loved so well long years ago

The same as on that winter night
You bent to me and kissed my brow
Happy hours of trusting love
Oh well, they're all over now

And I must sail the whitening foam
Till I can see the foreign home
Till I forget that fair sweet face
I ne'er can find a resting place

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