Once I Had A Sweetheart

Words & Music:
Traditional

David Hodge has a wonderful arrangement of this in the October 2006 issue of Acoustic Guitar.

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Am                        E          Am
Once I had a sweetheart, now I have none.
Am                        E          Am
Once I had a sweetheart, now I have none.
     D        Am            D        Am
He's gone and left me; he's gone and left me,
     D        Am              E       Am
He's gone and leaves me to sorrow and moan.
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Last night in sweet slumber, I dreamed I did see,
Last night in sweet slumber, I dreamed I did see,
My own precious jewel sat smiling by me.
My own precious jewel sat smiling by me.

But when I awakened, I found it not so,
But when I awakened, I found it not so.
My eyes like some fountain, the tears overflow,
My eyes like some fountain, the tears overflow.

I'll venture through England, through France, and through Spain,
I'll venture through England, through France, and through Spain.
All my life I will venture the watery main.
All my life I will venture the watery main.

Once I had a sweetheart, now I have none.
Once I had a sweetheart, now I have none.
He's gone and left me; he's gone and left me,
He's gone and leaves me to sorrow and moan.