

I. *When in the springtime of the year
 When the trees
 are crowned with leaves
 When the ash and oak,
 and the birch and yew
 Are dressed in ribbons fair.
 When owls call the breathless moon
 in the blue veil of the night
 When shadows of the trees appear
 amidst the lantern('s) light.*

Chorus
*We've been rambling all the night
 and sometime of this day
 Now returning back again
 we bring a garland gay.*

II. *Who will go down to those shady groves
 and summon the shadows there
 And tie a ribbon on those
 sheltering arms
 in the springtime of the year.
 The sounds of birds
 seem to fill the wood
 and when the fiddler plays
 All their voices can be heard
 long past their woodland days.*

Chorus
*And so they linked their hands
 and danced
 'round in circles and in rows
 And so the journey
 of the night descends
 when all the shades are gone.
 A garland gay we bring you here
 And at your door we stand
 Here's a sprout, well budded out
 The work of our Lord's hand.*

Chorus

The Mummer's Dance

Loreena McKennitt

Mode de ré

Dm C Am G

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Dm C Am G Dm

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C Am G Dm C

11 breath - less - moon - in - the - blue - veil - of - the - night - When - sha - dows - of - the - trees - ap - pear - a -

Am G Dm C G

16 **Chorus** midst - the - lan - tern - light - We've - been - ram - bling - all - the - night - and - some - times - of - this -

Dm Dm C G Dm

21 day - now - re - tum - ing - back - a - gain - we - bring - a - gar - land 3

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