

Love's Old Sweet Song

lyrics by James L. Molloy and music
by J. Clifton Bingham (1884)

*F*_(½) *Dm*_(½) *C7*
Once in the dear, dead days beyond recall,
*Bb*_(½) *C7*_(½) *F*
When on the world the mists began to fall,
*F*_(½) *C7*_(½) *C7*_(½) *F*_(½)
Out of the dreams that rose in happy thrall,
Dm *G7*_(½) *C*_(½)
Low to our hearts love sang an old sweet song,
Gm *F*
And in the dusk where fell the firelight gleam,
*G7*_(½) *Am*_(¼) *F*_(¼) *C*_(½) *G7*_(½) *C7*
Softly it wove itself into our dream

Even today we hear Love's song of yore,
Deep in our hearts it dwells forevermore.
Footsteps may falter, weary grow the way,
Still we can hear it at the close of day.
So till the end, when life's dim shadows fall,
Love will be found the sweetest song of all.

F₍₂₎ *Fdim7*₍₁₎ *C7* *C7*₍₂₎ *Edim7*₍₁₎ *F*
Just a song at twilight, when the lights are low,
A7₍₂₎ *Edim7*₍₁₎ *Dm* *G7* *C7*
And the flick'ring shadows softly come and go.
F₍₂₎ *Fdim7*₍₁₎ *C7* *C7*₍₂₎ *Edim7*₍₁₎ *A7*
Though the heart be weary, sad the day, and long,
F7 *Bb* *F7*₍₁₎ *C7*₍₂₎ *F*
Still to us at twilight comes love's old song, comes
Bb₍₂₎ *C7*₍₁₎ *F*
love's old sweet song.