After Your Wand'ring, Come Home - song lyrics

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A story's often told about a maiden, young and fair,
Who through her love And pride had left her home;
And for awhile her loving parents missed their lassie there,
Not knowing where their wand'ring pet would roam;
At last she sent a message from a town not far away,
And there she got a letter from her Dad.,
"You can't be happy now," be said; "you will return some day,
And make our hearts again feel light and glad."

Refrain.
"After your wand'ring, come home!"
That's what she read in the letter;
"Why did you leave us alone?
No one could love you better;
Keep this in mind, little girl,
No mailer wherever you roam,
There are beans fond and true, that are waiting for you-
After your wand'ring, come home! "

Twas all because her father did not like the boy she loved;
"Come home," he wrote, "and you can marry Jack:
I know he loves our Bessie, and a worthy lad he's proved;
He's only waiting till you come back."
One morning, in the summer, she became a happy bride;
The old man was not sorry, after all;
'Tho' Bessie went away awhile, 'twas all thro' love And pride,
And often they the tender words recall:-Refrain.