

**COUNTRY WOMAN (MACK MAY)**  
**by Alban Henry**

**Verse 1**

Wake me in de morning when fus cock start dey crowing  
Mack May, Mack May, bring yo basket an come.  
Get yo apron handy yo kerchif wid yo money  
Mack May, to mek yo message in town.

**Verse 2**

Me get up from me sofa an call out to me neighbour  
Mack May, Mack May, bring yo basket an come.  
We start to walk together me shoes aroun me shoulder  
Mack May, to mek yo message in town.

**Verse 3**

Me tired walk already de marning cole an chilly  
Mack May, Mack May, bring yo basket an' come.  
Me jaw bone stiff an aching ah feel me backbone breaking  
Mack May, to mek yo message in town.

**Verse 4**

Ah feel ah getting tusty an hungry start to bite me  
Mack May, Mack May, bring yo basket an come.  
Me stap ah Yambou River fu eat an drink sum water  
Mack May, to mek yo message in town.

**Verse 5**

Put on yo shoes correctly yo mus look smart an dandy  
Mack May, Mack May, bring yo' basket an come.  
Cause me na want nobody come call me country bookey  
Mack May, to mek yo message in town.

**Verse 6**

Me buy me rice an flour me black fish an me porter  
Mack May, Mack May, bring yo basket an come  
He whale oil in me bottle an two pounds ah tobacco  
Mack May to mek yo message in town.

**Verse 7**

Come walk a little faster before de night get darker  
Mack May, Mack May, bring yo basket an come  
Believe me it aint easy jus walking from de country  
Mack May, to mek yo message in town.