

## **BRIGHT PENNY (hansbarger)**

The Devil caught the red head girl up on Dovetail lane  
Trying to make her way back home before the rain  
told her bout a preacher's son who took an awful fall  
next she knew she wasn't even headed home at all  
She took his hand and wandered down into a brand new world  
of shiny things and other pretty little red head girls

Let the church bells ring

Let the people sing

Ronny caught the last bus out to Chinatown that night  
Drank a quart and took a nap to make himself feel right  
He left a note and fifty dollars there beside the door  
To pay for diapers and some gas until he'd could send more  
His girlie cried and swore to try to make it while he's gone  
But she never heard another word until the babe was grown

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Let the people sing

Penny won five hundred dollars on the lottery  
Bought a leather pocket book and paid for groceries  
Took her baby boy to church and knelt down on her knees  
She promised any god who'd hear to say her roseries  
To keep the money coming, man, to help her find a way  
To fill her life with promise of a shiny brand new day