

Train On The Island

Train on the island, headed for the west
Run and tell my true love she's the one I love the best
I can't hold the wheel

Train on the island, thought I heard it squeal
Run and tell my true love how happy I do feel
I can't hold the wheel

Going round the mountain just to hear that banjo right
Going round the other side to hear my darlin' sing
I can't hold the wheel

Train on the island, thought I heard it blow
Run and tell my true love I'm sick and I can't go
I can't hold the wheel

Train on the island, headed for the west
Me and my gal, we fell out, might be for the best
I can't hold the wheel

Smoke from the whistle, steam from the stack
Gonna catch that 5:18, ain't never coming back
I can't hold the wheel

Train on the island, thought I heard it squeal
Run and tell my true love that I can't hold the wheel
I can't hold the wheel

Traditional

Appears on *River Run Wide*

I learned this song from Vermont singer Brendan Taafe.