I Stayed Too Long At The Fair

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I wanted the music to play on forever Have I stayed too long at the fair?
I wanted the clown to be constantly clever Have I stayed too long at the fair?

I bought me blue ribbons to tie up my hair, But I couldn't find anybody to care; The merry-go-round is beginning to taunt now Have I stayed too long at the fair?

The music has stop and the children must go now Have I stayed too long at the fair?

Oh, mother dear, I know you're very proud,

Your little girl in gingham is so far above the crowd;

No, daddy dear, You never could have known
That I would be successful, yet so very much alone...
I wanted to live in a carnival city,
With laughter and love everywhere;

I wanted my friends to be thrilling and witty, I wanted somebody to care;
I found my blue ribbons all shiny and new
But now I discover them no longer blue...

The merry-go-round is beginning to taunt me, Have I stayed too long at the fair?
There's nothing to win
And there's no one to want me

Have I stayed too long at the fair?