

If I Were....

Words and Music: Nigel Harbron

Em D G D Am G D Em
If I were a mi-ner, I would sing of coal, — If I were a far-mer, of the land.

Em D G D Am G D Em
If I were a sai-lor, I would sing of ships, — If I were a sol-dier, of the band. But

C G C Am Bm
I have ne-ver dug for coal or ploughed the land for corn; I have ne-versailed or marched in blue,

Em D G D Am G D Em
All I've done is fall in love and made you mine, And all I'll do is sing of you.

If I were a miner, I would sing of coal,
If I were a farmer, of the land.
If I were a sailor, I would sing of ships,
If I were a soldier, of the band.
But I have never dug for coal or ploughed the land for corn;
I have never sailed or marched in blue -
*All I've done is fall in love and made you mine,
And all I'll do is sing of you.*

If I were a diver, I would plumb the depths,
If I were a climber, scale the peaks.
If I were a poet, I would write a verse,
If I were an artist, paint for weeks.
But I have never plundered wrecks or stood on mountain tops;
I have never rhymed or sketched a view -
*All I've done is fall in love and made you mine,
And all I'll do is sing of you.*

If I were a shepherd, I would tend my flock,
If I were a fiddler, play a reel.
If I were a spinner, I would twist my yarn,
If I were a brewer, brew an ale.
But I have never tended sheep or drawn notes from a string;
I have never spun or made a brew -
*All I've done is fall in love and made you mine,
And all I'll do is sing of you.*

If I were a preacher, I would say a prayer,
If I were an archer, string my bow.
If I were a writer, I would spin a tale,
If I were a cobbler, stitches sew.
But I have never prayed aloud, or fletched an arrow's flight;
I have never scribed or made a shoe -
*All I've done is fall in love and made you mine,
And all I'll do is sing of you.*



*Well, here is Cupid clearly impressing Psyche (or is it the other way round?), but
what on earth are they up to?*

Answers on a post-card, please, to Rentokil UK.