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The girl who fled.

Singer not recorded.

This year we may know,
Know that the woman, the mother, and the man, the father had,
Had two children, a brother and a sister.
The brother also had a son,
5 And the sister had a daughter.

The sister's daughter was pretty,
Smart and elegant like,
Like a willow tree standing by the river,
Smart as a willow tree standing by the water.

10 She had a beautiful smooth complexion, she was pretty,
Pretty as the lovely pink peach blossom.

The brother had a son,
Had a son who was handsome,
Handsome and slim as leaves of bamboo,
15 Handsome and slim as blades of grass.

The cousins arose and went, they fled,
Fled to the banks of the Ndu-na-yi-mo river,
Fled and crossed the Ndu-na-yi-mo river to the further side,
And went to live on a plain in the Bw-bw border country.

20 They built a grass hut to make a family and live,
They built a round house to make a family and dwell.
They farmed to provide their food and drink,
And planted cotton for clothes to wear.

Thus it is ended.