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## Song of the Bow!

With duties wan and worn,  
With hair all greenest red,  
A man there sat like a draway bat,  
Who lifted his mandolin,  
Him sang this song of the bow:  
"Mid a ragged and wretched band,  
And he drove a nail in his coffin lid,  
Each time he raised his hand.

Drink, drink, drink,

In the morning's rosy prime,  
And drink, drink, drink.

In the murky midnight time:

It's O to be a dog,

Along with a tinker swart,

Than a senseless log, or a human hog,

With neither man nor heart.

Drink, drink, drink,

The wine-cup never flags:

And what is its wages? An aching heart,

And squalor, and mouldy rags.

Drink deep of the liquid fires,

In hollow and dismal mirth,

[Leave] With rogue and knave, and the tap-room

And the vilest scum of earth.

O men, with children pale—

O men, with weeping wives;

O why for a can of unholy ale

Will you sacrifice their lives?

The play a dastard's part,

Who crush with crime a trusting heart,

And leave it alone to die.

Drink, drink, drink,

Oh! how escape its thrall!

It runs amain through each burning vein,

[And turn] My blood to gall.

My eyes are dim with tears,

A furnace beats my breath,

And conscience whispers in my ears,

Thou hast hastening, fool, to death.

But why do I talk of Death,

That phantom of fleshless bone?

I might as well shape a shape.

More dreadful than his own.

The cells of my aird brain,

Are parched in my burning head,

And countless spires, through the live long

nights,

Are dancing around my bed.

Mid darkling clouds I tread;

To my last assumed retreat;

There's a heaven above my head,

And a hell beneath my feet,

O ponder, pause, and pray,

Reflect, and pray, and think,

Ere your souls be snatched from the light

of day.

By the restless demon—Drink!

It's O but to breathe the breath

Of a purer atmosphere.

To escape from this mortal death,

This prospect dark and drear!

It's O for the pleasant hours,

When I felt as a man should feel,

Ere's Alcohol had ensnare'd my soul,

And made my senses reel.

With features wan and worn,

With hair all greenest red,

Who lifted his mandolin—

Mid a ragged and wretched band,

He drove a nail in his coffin lid,

Each time he raised his hand.

Drone in Society.

A lazy man—one who attends to no regular calling—is generally speaking a bad citizen, and a nuisance to the community in which he lives. He is an eye-sore—a piece of nothingness—a blank in God's creation. Every community is obliged to support a number more or less, of these drones. This always has been, and we presume always will continue to be the case. Nothing can stimulate the drone—nothing will shame him, to assume the dignity of an independent man. He is content to drag out a life of idleness, and to forget when he dies.

Now, to our view, the man who has nothing to attend to, nothing to engage his mind, must lead a miserable life.

We care not how rich he may be, he cannot enjoy his riches in idleness. He must exercise both body and mind, or becomes sluggish, stupid, and fretful. It is a wise law of nature that requires a man to work, and when he fails to observe this law, he forgets the object of his creation, and brings ruin on himself. Every man must toil, if he desires happiness.

The lawyer, the divine, the merchant, the mechanic, the farmer, all, are required to observe this great law of Divinity. During our few years probation here on earth it is the duty of us all to vie with each other in the amount of labor, mental and physical, we perform. This we are commanded or do not merely with the object of gaining wealth for ourselves and our children, but for the nobler purpose of fulfilling a duty to ourselves and to society. Our recompence will a cheerful disposition, composed mind, and manly feeling. When men perform their duty in their respect, they feel that they are good citizens, and entitled to a position in the great family of men. We care not what a man may pursue, whether he occupies the courtroom or the carriage hood; if he labors in that calling and is sober and honest, he is a good citizen, equally entitled to the respect of all. The industrious man, even in misfortune and affliction, can find consolation, for he has the respect confidence and sympathy of all good citizens. Not so with the idle. He commands the respect of none, for the very reason that he made no attempt before his affliction to build up a character or to help himself. His cry like the voice in the wilderness, will not be heeded in his day of trouble. He was content to live a lazy life, and make no provision for the future, and he lies the death common to men of his class.

We repeat then, a lazy man is a nuisance to the community in which he lives, for he is of no benefit to any one, and all despise him except those who sympathize with him in feeling. The object, therefore, of all men should be to teach their children (boys and girls), to be industrious. Train them to habits of industry in their youth, and the world will never forgive them when they arrive at years of maturity. The greatest fortune a father can bequeath to his son is a good education, special

future before him. If he has not a cent in the world, he still possesses a fortune which none can deprive him of. Corinne Volney.

## A Street Sweeper.

Not long since a gentleman was crossing one of our streets where a little girl was sweeping the mud. Her little was opened and he placed, as he supposed in his, a penny therein. She immediately followed him, calling, "Gentleman, gentleman, see what you have given me?" The gentleman stopped and she handed him an eagle, saying she did not think he meant to give her more than a penny. He asked her why she did not keep it. She replied, "That would not have been right." He looked at her with astonishment and enquired where she learned that. "In the Sunday School," was her reply. He then inquired her name, age and residence. Her mother, she said was very poor, and lived in an obscure street. While he was talking with her, some fifteen or twenty persons gathered around and a contribution was proposed, which resulted in the sum of about fifteen dollars. The gentleman called to see the little girl, and her mother, and finding the statement verified, placed the mother in a tenement of his own, free of rent, and has taken the little girl to educate.

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