

On my right hand a group of jurors sat
And listened some time to a lawyer's chat
Then he had finished and by my side came
A pretty man and answered me his name.

He listened to our oath then bowed the back
And told his story with a savage look
It makes the blood within my veins run cold
And hear such lies and contradictions told.

Then two men came up and under oath
Made the first a liar else they were liars both
The lawyer then for small sum and more
Made speeches eloquent exceeding long.

But having done they took a softer strain
Forgot their rage and were good friends again
Last rose the judge with a majestic air
And as he pleased discussed the whole affair.

He told the jury to enforce the law
And promise some to keep the rest in awe
The obedient jury to their room retired
We found a verdict as the judge desired.

So I was done for miserable sinners
While the court adjourned and went to dinner. A.C.

One sent could blight or we were free
Death came with friendly care
The ferry boat to heaven conveyed
And back it blowed there.

The Love Of Home.

Imprinted in the human heart.
The sacred love of home.
Of man's affections formest part.
Where'er his footsteps roam.
The gorgeous and the beautiful.
May meet the exiles eye.
But still he pines for favorite scenes.
Beneath his native sky.

The plants from southern climes to see
His drooping spirit cheer.
He travels to the banana tree
And bathes it with his tear.
At battle when in shipwreck drear.
The gentle once was hurt.
They call these isolated sphere.
The flower of all the world.

Where whirlwinds pierce on a ^{chilling} plain
The aspen sky's deformed.
And where a ray of heavenly light
Can pierce the raging storm.
The Ethiopia duns that firing lanes
Which least a verdant sod.
Are but the work of angels hands
While his was formed by god.

The exiled wanderer doomed to roam
In forcing climes afar.
Turns to the blessed light of home
As to the polar star.
Through cloud and sunshine flowers storm
Across life's devious way.
A light to brighten and to warm
Each dark and cheerless day.

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