

Such a Merry Day Today

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Such a merry day today,

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For the costly war is done.

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Tis the Prince's wedding day

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So to the palace gates we come.

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Such a merry day today

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For we're running to a feast.

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Tis the King's son's wedding day

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But our sons are all deceased.

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Not a soul could doubt the story

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Not a one could be surprised,

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This damned war was but your scheme

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And every death you did contrive.

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Not a soul could doubt the story

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Not with kin and coin all ta'en,

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This damned war was but your scheme,

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You owe no pensions to the slain.

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From the poorest houses went

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The ones you called away to fight.

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All their lives like shillings spent

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Whilst you cavorted out of sight.

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From the poorest houses went

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The ones you deigned not give their due.

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All their lives like shillings spent

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And so we come to butcher you.

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Drink your final sip of wine,

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Down your final strip of meat,

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All your subjects come to dine

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And all you nobles we would greet.

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Drink your final sip of wine

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And watch your guards come to our side.

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All your subjects come to dine,

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And from our vengeance you can't hide.

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