**The Entered Apprentice Song**

Come let us prepare,

We Brothers that are

Assembled on merry occasion:

Let’s drink, laugh, and sing;

Be he Beggar or King,

Here’s a health to an Accepted Mason.

*(Chorus)*

*To drink, laugh and sing*

*Be he beggar or king;*

*Here’s a health to an Accepted Mason.*

The world is in pain

Our secrets to gain,

And still let them wonder and gaze on;

They ne’er can divine

The Word or the Sign

Of a Free and an Accepted Mason.

*(Chorus)*

*They ne’er can divine*

*The word or the sign*

*Of a Free and an Accepted Mason.*

‘Tis this, and ‘tis that,

They cannot tell what,

Why so many Great Men of the Nation

Should Aprons put on,

To make themselves one

With a Free and an Accepted Mason.

*(Chorus)*

*Should Aprons put on*

*And make themselves one*

*With a Free and an Accepted Mason.*

Great Kings, Dukes, and Lords,

Have laid by their swords,

Our myst’ry to put a good grace on;

And ne’er been ashamed

To hear themselves named

With a Free and an Accepted Mason.

*(Chorus)*

*And ne’er been ashamed*

*To hear themselves named*

*With a Free and an Accepted Mason.*

Antiquity’s pride

We have on our side,

And it maketh men just in their station;

There’s nought but what’s good

To be understood

By a Free and an Accepted Mason.

*(Chorus)*

*There’s naught but what’s good*

*To be understood*

*By a Free and an Accepted Mason.*

We’re true and sincere

And just to the fair,

Who will trust us on any occasion;

No mortal can more

The Ladies adore

Than a Free and an Accepted Mason.

*(Chorus)*

*No mortal can more*

*The ladies adore*

*Than a Free and an Accepted Mason.*

Then join Hand in Hand,

To each other firm stand;

Let’s be merry, and put a bright face on;

What mortal can boast

So noble a toast

As a Free and an Accepted Mason.

*(Chorus)*

*What mortal can boast*

*So noble a toast*

*As a Free and an Accepted Mason.*