

# ALCOHOL'S DISASTROUS PROMISE

- I have some promises I'll make to you,
  - If you will do what I want you to.
  - The more you consume me,
  - The more then will your losses be.
  - Here are the promises to you I make,
  - And I promise, the promises to never break:
  - I promise to take your money, your home,
  - And all you can get in the way of a loan.
  - I'll take your character, your reputation, too;
  - Your good name, I'll take from you.
  - Your friends I'll take from you one day,
  - Your family from you I'll turn away.
  - I'll take your car, I'll take your wealth
  - I'll take your job, I'll take your health.
  - I'll take your watch, I'll take your chain,
  - I'll cause you to stay out in the rain.
  - I'll take your credit, I'll take your bail,
  - I'll cause you to sleep in a dirty jail.
  - I'll cause you regret, remorse, and pain,
  - I'll cause your name to go down in shame.
  - I'll bring you misery, I'll bring you woe,
  - I'll bring you trouble more than you know.
- I'll take your clothes and pawn them too;
  - The necessities of life, I'll take from you.
  - I'll take from your days, I'll take from your years;
  - I'll double the flow of your bitter tears.
  - I'll take your heart, give you one of stone;
  - I'll cause you to walk through life alone.
  - I'll take your desire to live aright.
  - Your light of day, I'll turn to night.
  - I'll cause you to dishonor your mother and dad,
  - I'll take all the pleasure you could have had.
  - I'll turn your love for your friends to hate,
  - Your desire to repent will come too late.
  - Your road to despair for you I will pave;
  - I'll cause you to fill a premature grave.
  - I'll put you in an institution for the insane;
  - And normal thinking I'll not let you gain.
  - I'll cause you to murder your best friend,
  - I'll trouble your mind to the very end.
  - I'll bring you contention, I'll bring you strife;
  - I'll finish with you by taking your life!