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The Adventures of  
John o' Badenyon,

In Pursuit of Happiness.

*To which are added,*

The Matrimonial Song,  
AND  
The British Tar.



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JOHN O' BADENYON

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When first I came to be  
of twenty years or so,  
I thought myself a handf  
and fain the world wou  
In best attire I slept abro  
with spirits bask and g  
And here and there, and  
was like a morn in M

No cares I had, nor fears  
but rambled on and do  
And for a beau I might h  
in country or in town,  
I still was pleas'd where-  
and when I was alone,  
I tun'd my pipe, and plea  
wi' John o' Badenyon.

Now, in the days of yout  
a mistress I must find,  
For love, I heard, gave o  
and ev'n improv'd the

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On Phillis fair, among the rest,  
    kind Fortune fix'd my eyes,  
Her piercing beauties struck my heart,  
    and she became my choice.

To Cupid now, with hearty pray'r,  
    I offer'd many a vow ;  
And danc'd, & fung, & figh'd, & swore,  
    as other lovers do :  
But when at last I breath'd my flame,  
    I found her cold as stone ;  
I left the girl and tun'd my pipe  
    to John o' Badenyon.

When love had thus my heart beguil'd,  
    with foolish hopes and vain,  
To friendship next I steer'd my course,  
    and laugh'd at lovers' pain :  
A friend I got by lucky chance,  
    'twas something like divine,  
An honest friend's a precious gift,  
    and such a gift was mine ;

And now, whatever might betide,  
    a happy man was I ;  
In any strait I knew to whom  
    I freely might apply :

A strait soon came, my  
he laugh'd, and spurn  
I hy'd me home, and tu  
to John o' Badenyon.

Methought I should be  
and would a Patriot  
Began to doat on John  
and cry'd up Parson  
Their noble spirit I adm  
and prais'd their man  
Who had with flaming t  
maintain'd the public

But ere a month or two  
I found myself betray  
'Twas self and party aft  
for all the stir they m  
At last I saw the factio  
insult the very throne  
I curs'd them all, and t  
to John o' Badenyon.

What next to do I mus  
still hoping to succee  
I pitch'd on books for c  
and gravely try'd to

I sought and borrow'd ev'ry-where,  
and studied night and day,  
Nor miss'd what Dean or Doctor wrote,  
that happen'd in my way.

Philosophy I now esteem'd  
the ornament of youth,  
And carefully thro' many a page  
I hunted after truth:  
A thousand various schemes I try'd,  
and yet was pleas'd with none:  
I threw them by, and tun'd my pipe  
to John o' Badenyon.

And now you youngsters, ev'ry one,  
that wish to make a show,  
Take heed in time, nor fondly hope  
for happiness below:  
What you may fancy pleasure here,  
is but an empty name:  
And girls, and friends, and books also,  
you'll find them all the same.

Then be advis'd, and warning take  
from such a man as me,  
I'm neither Pope, nor Cardinal,  
nor one of high degree:

You'll meet displeasure ev'r  
then do as I have done,  
E'en tune your pipe, and ple  
wi' John o' Badenyon.

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THE MATRIMONIAL

O that I had ne'er been m  
I wad never had nae c  
But now I've gotten wife  
and they cry crowdie e

Ance crowdie, twice crow  
three times crowdie in  
Gin ye crowdie ony mair  
ye'll crowdie a' my me

Waef's' want and hunger  
glowrin by the hallan e  
Sair I fight them at the d  
but aye I'm eerie they

Ance crowdie, &c

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THE BRITISH TAR.

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COME all you thoughtless young men,  
and a warning take by me,  
And never leave your native homes  
to plough the raging sea;  
For I have ploug'd the raging sea,  
these twenty years and more,  
But now I'm turned adrift  
to starve on my native shore.

When war first assailed us,  
I quickly left my trade,  
My country was in danger,  
I flew to lend my aid,  
And in my country's service,  
long, long fatigues I bore,  
But now I am turn'd adrift,  
to starve on my native shore.

By storms and raging tempests,  
three times I have shipwreck'd been,  
And many a blood battle  
upon the seas I've seen;



I have seen the canon's gun  
and heard the murdering  
But now I am turned ad  
to starve on my native

The British Seamen's val  
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We conquer still where  
the action's all our ow  
The Merit flag of haug  
triumphantly we bore  
But now we are turn'd a  
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Should hostile fleets e'er  
to sail the raging main  
True hearts of oak we'll  
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We'll bravely bring them  
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So help us when we are  
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