

# Song of the Lower Classes

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We



plow and sow; we're so ver - y, ver - y low That we delve in the dirt - y clay Till we



bless the plain with the gold - en grain And the vale with the fra - grant hay. Our



place, we know; we're so ver-y, ver-y low; 'Tis down at the land-lord's feet;— We're



not too low the\_ grain to grow But too low\_ the\_ bread to eat;— We're

41 42 43 44  
not\_ too\_ low the grain. to\_ grow But too low the bread to eat; We're

45 46 47 48  
not too low the\_ grain to grow But too low\_ the\_ bread to eat. Down,

49 50 51 52  
down we go; we're so ver-y, ver-y low, To the hell\_ of the deep-sunk mines; But we

53 54 55 56  
gath-er the\_proud-est gems that glow When the brow of a des - pot shines; And when-

57 58 59 60  
e'er he lacks, up - on our backs, Fresh loads he\_deigns to lay; We're

61 62 63 64  
far too low to\_ vote the tax But we're not\_ too\_ low to pay; We're

65 66 67 68  
far\_ too\_ low to vote\_ the\_ tax But we're not too low to pay; We're

69 70 71 72  
far too low to\_ vote the tax But we're not\_ too\_ low to pay. We're

73 74 75 76  
low; we're low: mere rab-ble, we know; But at\_ our plas - tic pow'r The

77 78 79 80  
world at the lord\_-ling's feet will glow In - to pal - ace and church and tow'r; Then

81 82 83 84  
pros-trate fall in the rich man's hall And cringe at the rich man's door;— We're

85 86 87 88  
not too low to— build the wall But too low— to— tread the floor.— We're

89 90 91 92  
not— too— low to build— the— wall But too low to tread the floor;— Were

93 94 95 96  
not to low to— build the wall But too low— to— tread the floor. We're

97 98 99 100  
low; we're low; we're ver - y, ver - y low; Yet from— our fin - gers glide The

101 102 103 104  
silk - en flow— and the robes that glow Round the limbs of the sons of pride; And

105 106 107 108  
what we get, and what we give, We know, and we know our share;— We're

109 110 111 112  
not too low the— cloth to weave But too low— the— cloth to wear;— We're

113 114 115 116  
not— too— low the cloth— to— weave But too low the cloth to wear;— We're

117 118 119 120  
not too low the— cloth to weave But too low— the— cloth to wear.