

Verses on the Report of the  
Morbus entering Glasgow.

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At the times are dull and dreary,  
Every thing goes topsey teary,  
Travelling night, and day I'm weary,  
Through the streets of Glasgow;  
Sometimes I stop and take a view  
Of what folk say, and what they do,  
I always find out something new,  
In this great town of Glasgow,  
The big folk they join'd in a leagie,  
They'd not allow Sawney nor Teague;  
To rear a Swine for fear a plague  
They would bring into Glasgow,  
But now the swine are done away,  
And on the poor the blame they lay,  
They're sending some of them each day,  
From this great town of Glasgow.  
The rich do pray with eyes upcast,  
The poor do hold a general fast,  
I hope they've stopt the plague at last,  
From coming into Glasgow,  
Now the Cholera is the cry,  
We'll not get leave to sell or buy,  
Poor dealers may with hunger die,  
In this great town of Glasgow.  
They've put a stop to all Pawnbrokers,  
Bone-Gatherers and Midden-rakers,  
Sellers of Salt and Candy Hawkers,  
In this great town of Glasgow:  
Chaunters they now all dormant ly,  
Speech-criers won't get leave to cry,  
For if they do they'll walk up by,  
To that big house in Glasgow.  
No fish but oysters they dare sell,  
The big folk cannot want them well,  
The laws are strict, so don't rebel,  
In this great town of Glasgow,  
The lame, the lazy, and the blind,  
And ragged folk that they can find,  
A begging through a street or wynd,  
Are taken up in Glasgow.  
Ye lasses pat on mourning dresses,  
Weep and wail at our distresses,  
You'll not meet with such fond caresses,  
This some time in Glasgow,  
Its for Reform you did shout,  
A quare way it has come about,  
I wish it ta'eh some other rout,  
And never entered Glasgow.  
Before that I do end my ditty,  
Ye great folk that do rule this city,  
On the poor pray do take pity  
In this great town of Glasgow,  
Hunger will shortly end our days,  
It will kill more than that disease,  
Of which they did such rumours raise,  
In this great town of Glasgow.