

We Were Lads Together - song lyrics

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Of as through the streets we wander, we a passing face may see.
One whose features make us ponder, as we think "Who can he be?"
Then a flash of recollection, and the village school you see,
And the truth comes with reflection-once he went to school with me!

Chorus.

We were boys, merry boys, we were lads together.
How many times as we walk thro' the street.
The face of some old school-fellow me meet;
Some seem quite "down," but don't on them frown,
Some day the sun will shine;
Cheer them in their strife thro' the battle of life,
For the sake of Auld Lang Syne!

There was Ted, so bright and steady, lads whose lessons were behind,
He to help was ever ready, always cheerful, truthful, kind;
Sad, alas! the path he's trodden, dead the promise bright he gave,
Now you meet him dazed And sodden, drink has made poor Ted its slave! - Cho.

Some of them are glad to meet you, some pass by with down cast eye,
Some with hearty words will greet you, that recall the days gone by;
Should you see one sad And weary, try to held him on the way.
Let your smile be bright And cheery, take him by the hand And say:- Chorus.