

The Whole Hog Or None - song lyrics

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I've just arrived across the sea,
All the way from Canada,
You Britishers I've come to see.
Not long escap'd from slavery.
Up and down, I know a dodge or two,
, I'm pretty full of fun-
In and out, and round about,
I'll go the whole hog or none.
Up and down, I know a dodge, &c.

Just arrived at Liverpool,
A chap comes up and spoke to me;
Says he, "I know you are no fool!
These things I've smuggled here, you see-
Cigars they are, some fine Havana,
And India shawls, as sure as a gun;
I brought 'em in the ship Cabana-
I went the whole hog or none."
Up and down, I know a d<`dge, ®&c,

Straight up to London then I came,
Determined all to see;
I went to concerts, masquerades,
And all the sights with glee.
By Fechter, the Shakesperian,
I saw the great Othello done;
At Sydenham Palace, Mr. Blondin
Went the whole hog or none.
Up and down, I know a dodge, &c.

In Rotten Row the ladies all,
On every afternoon,
Their figures fine are showing off
To gain a husband soon.
Mammas desire to make a match,
By which they won't be done-
To catch a fine young chap like me,
They'll go the whole hog or none.
Up and down, I know a dodge, &c.

The married men of London
Never stop out late at night,
Though they like a bit of fun,
And dearly love a sight!
They love their children dearly.
Their boys and girls surpass'd by none;
They love their homes and wives, and like
To go the whole hog or none.
Up and down, I know a dodge, &c.

Your humble servant now before ye,
Will ever strive his part to play
"In the Strand, " or "Dixey's Land,"
As ' Uncle Sam, " or "Peter Gray."
The welcome given shows that you
Appreciate what he has done;
To gain your smiles he'll be prepar'd
To go the whole hog or none.
Up and down, I know a dodge, &c.