Hi-tiddley-hi-ti - song lyrics

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HI-TIDDLEY-HI-TI.

Composed by George Le Brunn.

Down to the West I went with ten

I've had a fair Bank Holiday,
Things with me lately have been gay;
First I dodged the tax-collector, then I did the gas-inspector,
Then with the lodger my dear wife
Sloped with the children-on my life;
So, to find my woe and strife, I thought I'd have a lark;
So in half-a-tick I toddled round, toddled round.
And some pals I quickly found, good and sound;
Soon our joys and cares we drowned, you be bound,

I was so gay I swore I'd pay, and to them made remark:

Chorus.

All of you come along with me, I'm for a rare old, fine old spree; Everybody here's invited, come with me, I'll see you righted; All of you come, you must be dry, hi-tiddley-hi-ti-hi-ti-hi! Come along and wet your eye, for I'm all right.

Good, solid, lasting, fasting men;
Arm mann we started strolling, soon the blessed lot were rolling.
Dear little girls from near and far
Said, with a smile, "Ah! there you are "Then I asked them to the bar, as they all looked so dry;
There were fourteen girls with golden hair, oh! so fair,
Twenty cabmen standing there did a stare,
All came in to have a share, take their fare.
And for the lot upon the spot for drinks I had to cry.-Chorus.

After I'd treated half the town,
I tried to borrow half-a crown.

Asked my pals, but each old crony swore to goodness "he was stoney,"
I, being fairly on the job.

Asked a policeman for a bob.

But he tapped me on the nob and told me I was tight;
Then my pals came round-their tempers rose, came to blowsSome one struck the policeman's nose-such a nose;
He called "Help! "as you'll suppose-oh! our woes-

'Chorus.

All of you come along with me, you've had a rare old, fair old spree; Everybody here's invited, join me, and I'll see you righted; All of you come, you must be dry, hi-tiddley-hi-ti-hi-ti-hi! Come along and wet your eye, for I'm all right.

Then ran us in, and with a grin he shouted with delight: