Jordan



I looked in the East, I looked in the West, For Fortune a chance to me accordin', But Fortune is a blind god flyin' in the clouds, Forgettin' me on this side of Jordan. Pull off your old coat, and roll up your sleeves, Life is a hard road to travel I believes.

Thunder in the clouds, and lightening in the trees, Shelter to my head no leaf affordin', Battered by the hailstones, beaten by the breeze; Th's my lot on this side o' Jordan. Pull off your old coat, etc. Silver spoons to some mouths, golden spoons to others, Providence unequally awardin',
Dash it! - tho' they tells us all of us be brothers;
Don't see it clearly, this side of Jordan.
Pull off your old coat, etc.

Like a ragged owlet, with its wings expanded, Nailed against a garden door or hoardin', That am I, by good folk, as a rascal branded; Never hurted none o' this side Jordan. Pull off your old coat, etc.

Aloft a pretty cherub, patchin' up o' blunders, My troubles and distresses is recordin', Will there come a whirlabout? better times I wonders, E'en to me, on t'other side o' Jordan? Pull off your old coat, etc.