COME WHERE THE BOOZE IS CHEAPER.

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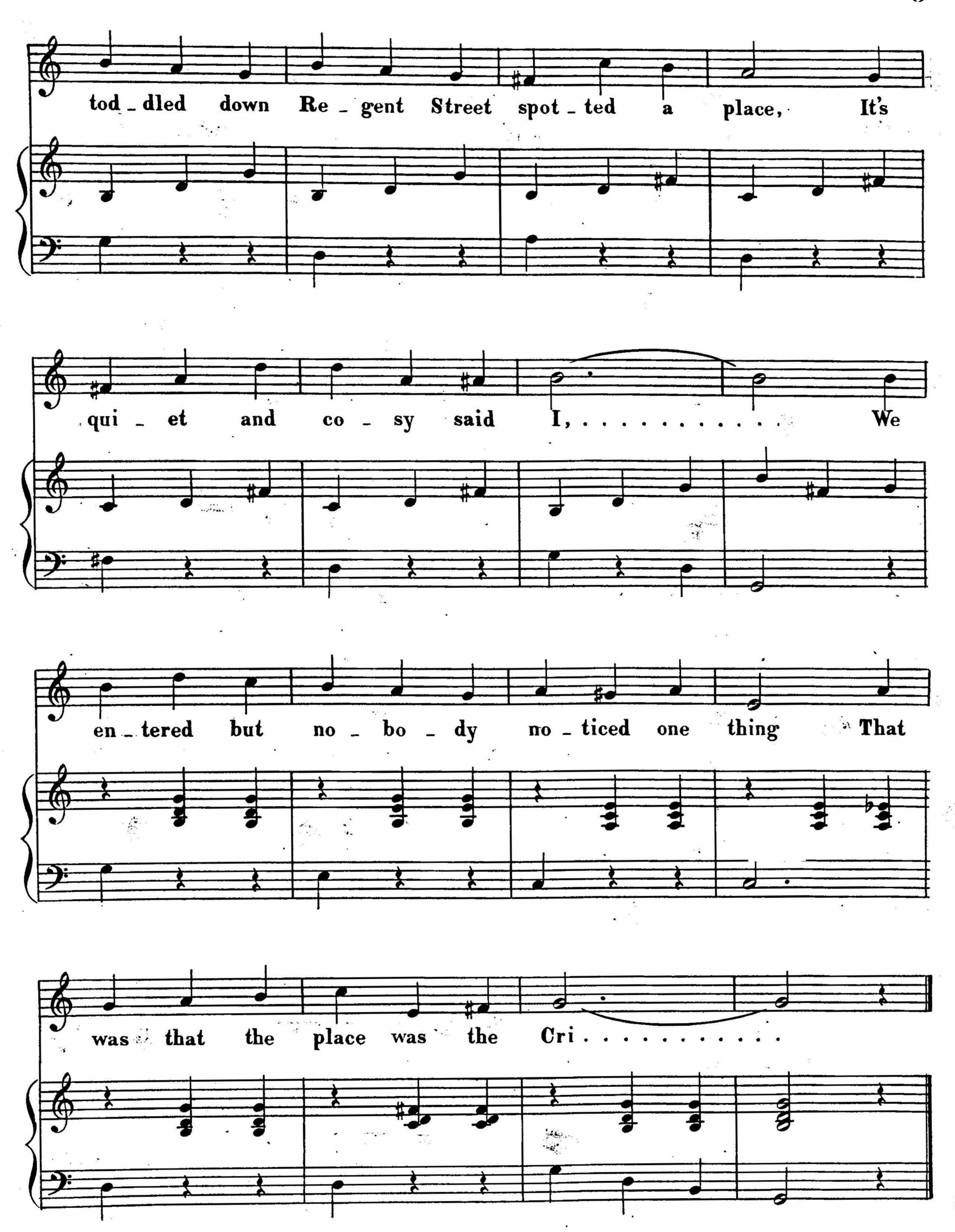
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Last night I went out with some pals, for we'd heard
That booze they were giving away,
But where this grand free distribution took place
They couldn't with certainty say;
We toddled down Regent Street spotted a place,
It's quiet and cosy said I,
We entered, but nobody noticed one thing
That was that the place was the Cri.
Spoken.

When they brought the bill it was long as a lawyer's. Then
the waiters all chanted the chorus of Do not forget me'and
after paying two men at the door—one for telling us it was
a fine night, and the other for having to tell him we didn't want
a cab_Jenkins said we'd better hedge"this is the wrong shop for us.

CHORUS.

Come where the booze is cheaper!

Come where the pots hold more!

Come where the boss is a bit of a joss!

Come to the pub next door!

2.

Then Tompkins suggested as we were still dry,

We'd leave the gay part of the West,

And he'd show us where we could get a cheap drink,

Said we very well you know best,

We entered and certainly just for a bob

In liquor we nearly got drowned,

But when for our watches and trinkets we felt,

Not one of the things could be found.

SPOKEN.

Hallo! said I _ Is this a den of thieves! That did it! _ round came the landlord, barmen and potman, and their toes were raised and our back premises removed before you could say knife. As one looked at a battered hat, another at a black eye, and I found my trousers would never be fit for 'lumbering' again, we came to the conclusion that booze was not cheap there, so off we started for pastures new, singing rather hazily__

CHORUS.

3.

When we got thrown out it was just closing time
And not a drop more could we get
Then Tompkins laid odds that he'd knock off the hat
Of the very first bobby he met
We all took his bets and the bobbies took us
And charged us next day for assault
And then the beak charged us a very stiff price
For taking a drop too much malt.

SPOKEN.

The old chappie asked us what we had to say to the charge. Well_said I to the beak "what do you charge here for booze? Forty shillings a-piece said he. Why_said I_that's more than the bun shops charge!"

"Well_said he if you object to paying you can work it out on the Wheel of Life." But as we were not in training

(M & CO 1114) for gymnastics, we elected to pay, but never again will they have me with the Will o'the Wisp cry of ___ Chorus.