Drill Ye Terriers

Words & Music: Thomas F. Casey (1888)

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Every mornin' 'bout seven o'clock,
There were twenty terriers a-workin' on the rock.
The boss comes along and he says, "Keep still!
And come down heavy on the cast-iron drill!"
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And drill ye terriers, drill,
Drill ye terriers, drill.
For it's work all day for the sugar in your tay,
Down behind the railway.
And drill ye terriers, drill.
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And blast, and fire.
Our boss was a fine man to the ground,
But he married a lady six-feet 'round.
She baked good bread and she baked it well.
But she baked it hard as the holes in hell.
CHORUS:
Our new foreman was Jim McCann.
By God, he was a damn mean man.
Last week a premature blast went off.
A mile in the sky went big Jim Goff.
CHORUS:
The next time payday came around,
A dollar short Jim Goff was found.
When he asked what for came this reply,
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"You're docked for the time you was up in the sky."

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CHORUS: