A Pub With No Beer

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- 2. Now the publican's anxious For the quota to come, There's a far away look On the face of the "bum"; The maid's gone all cranky, And cook's acting queer, What a terrible place Is a pub with no beer.
- 3. Then the stockman rides up With his dry dusty throat, He breasts up to the bar, Pulls a wad from his coat, But the smile on his face Quickly turns to a sneer, When the barman says sadly: "The pub's got not beer."
- 4. Then the swaggie comes in Smothered in dust and flies, He throws down his roll, Rubs the sweat from his eyes; But when he is told he says: "What's this I hear? Spoken: I've trudged fifty flamin' miles To a pub with no beer."

SUNG: 5. There's a dog on the v'randah, For his master he waits, But the boss is inside Drinking wine with his mates; He hurries for cover And he cringes in fear, It's no place for a dog 'Round a pub with no beer.

- 6. Old Billy the Blacksmith, The first time in his life Has gone home cold sober To his darling wife; He walks in the kitchen, She says: "You're early my dear," But he breaks down and tells her: "The pub's got no beer."
- 7. It's lonesome away From your kindred and all, By the campfire at night Where the wild dingoes call; But there's nothing so lonesome, So morbid or drear Than to stand in a bar Of a pub with no beer.