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# STONE-CRACKER JOHN



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I sits by the roadside with great regularity, And I cracks up the stones for the Highway Authority, Oh whack fol the riddle oh, I earns all my pay, For I cracks 'em an' whacks 'em for ninepence a day.

So I do, now, Yes I do, now, All for ninepence a day!

When the grand folks go by on their wild-cat machinery,
They kicks up a dust an' they spoils all the greenery,
Oh whack fol the riddle oh, I chuckle and say,
I'd crack 'em, an' whack 'em, if I had my way.
So I would, now,
Yes I would, now,
I's I had my man'

If I had my way!

When the sweethearts go by an' the girls look so cuddlesome, What makes all the young men so moody and muddlesome? Oh whack fol the riddle oh, if I had my way,
I'd take 'em, an' shake 'em, an' show 'em what to say.
So I would, now,

Yes I would, now, I'd show 'em the way!

But I mayn't live much longer to continue my history, An' what's to become o' me, well, that is a mystery, So whack fol the riddle oh, like the stones I do say, You may crack me, an' whack me, but I've had my day.

So I have, then, Yes I have, then Yes, I've had my day!

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