

The Sluggard

1. Noun
2. Verb - Past Tense
3. Verb - Base Form
4. Proper Noun
5. Part Of Body
6. Adjective
7. Part Of Body
8. Verb - Base Form

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'Tis the voice of the Noun; I heard him complain,

"You have Verb - Past Tense me too soon, I must Verb - Base Form again."

As the door on its hinges, so he on his Proper Noun,

Turns his sides and his Part of Body and his Adjective Part of Body.

"A little more sleep, and a little more Verb - Base Form;"

Thus he wastes half his days, and his hours without ,

And when he gets up, he sits folding his hands,

Or walks about sauntering, or trifling he stands.

I pass'd by his garden, and saw the wild brier,

The thorn and the thistle grow broader and higher;

The clothes that hang on him are turning to rags;

And his money still wastes till he starves or he begs.

I made him a visit, still hoping to find

That he took better care for improving his mind:

He told me his dreams, talked of eating and drinking;

But

scarce reads his Bible, and never loves thinking.

Said I then to my heart, "Here's a lesson for me,"

This man's but a picture of what I might be:

But thanks to my friends for their care in my breeding,

Who taught me betimes to love working and reading.