

Poem, 'By A Negro' by Edward MS Jenner (Wellcome Library 3017 page 5)

By a Negro

***If when me nothing had to eat,
For stealing bit of bread,
Black Man you so severely beat,
And whip till almost dead;
What Punishment's to Massa's due?
From guilt can he be free?
Who, when he bought poor Negro, knew
That white man steal a me.***

Edward Jenner (c. 1775)

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