I wander thro' each charter'd street Near where the charter'd Thames does flow And mark in every face I meet Marks of weakness, marks of woe In every cry of every Man In every Infant's cry of fear In every voice, in every ban The mind-forg'd manacles I hear: How the Chimney-sweeper's cry Every black'ning Church appalls And the hapless Soldier's sigh Runs in blood down Palace walls But most thro' midnight streets I hear How the youthful Harlot's curse Blasts the new born Infant's tear And blights with plagues the Marriage hearse

Rise and look out; his chains are loose, his dungeon doors are open

And let his wife and children return from the oppressor's scour ge

They look behind at every step and believe it is a dream Singing: "The Sun has left his blackness, and has found a fresh er morning

And the fair Moon rejoices in the clear and cloudless night For Empire is no more, and now the Lion and Wolf shall cease"