The Kneeling Drunkard's Plea

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"Bring my darling boy to me" Was his mother's dying plea And as he staggered through the gate Alas, he came just one day too late

Three years have passed since she went away Her son is sleeping beside her today And I know that in heaven his mother he'll see For God has heard that drunkard's plea

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