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Moderato.

Piano.

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mould- y with mil- dew and age, sir,

At the ter- ri- ble in- crease in crime.
But its guard- ed by night and by day.

With
While

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good Un - cle Sam it's a po - ser— It's some-thing he can't un - der - stand; I would,
 you, like the dog in the manger, Your wealth to your - self you con - fine, When a

too, give a tri - fle to know, sir, Why crime should in - crease in our land. It is
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3.

I am sure it is hard, Uncle Sam, sir,
 Temptation to ever resist;
 Just think of the poor working-girl, sir,
 Now trying her best to exist.
 Can you smile at her weak resolution,
 When "close-pinching" firms seldom give
 Enough to keep off destitution;
 For, though she is poor, she must live.
 With a frame that is feeble and slender,
 With feelings so keen and so tender,
 There's a God that will watch and defend her,—
 Uncle Sam, can you wonder at crime?

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Just think, while you're feasting—with wine, sir,
 How the poor of our country are fed,
 While you with your gentry can dine, sir,
 'Tis a favor for them to get bread.
 Go visit the homes of the poor, sir,
 Such sights you but seldom behold;
 Their garrets and hovels explore, sir,
 And share with them part of your gold.
 For little would soon rend asunder
 The chains that the poor suffer under;
 Go, see! and you'll never more wonder
 At the terrible increase of crime.

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