

Singing School

As sung by
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The sing - ing school's beau - ti - ful, the sing ing school's
4 beau - ti - ful. If you'll have me for your tea - cher, I shall
6 Verse
be a hap - py crea - ture, for I'll dote up - on the sing - ing school. Some
9 think there's no - thing half as good as oy - sters roas - ted, fried, or stewed, and
13 others think there is plea - sure more a - slid - ing down the cel - lar door.
17 Some think this and some think that, some thinks ... But
21 if he is - n't quite a fool he would ra - ther go to the sing - ing school.

Chorus

The singing school's beautiful,
The singing school's beautiful.
If you have me for your teacher,
I shall be a happy creature,
For I'll dote upon the singing school.

* (Pitch difficult to follow)

Verse

Some think there's nothing half as good as
Oysters roasted, fried, or stewed,
And others think there's pleasure more
A-sliding down the cellar door.
Some thinks this and some thinks that and some thinks
...
But if he isn't quite a fool
He would rather go to the singing school

Chorus

Critical Commentary

HST notes:

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Mr. Lobdell used to attend singing school as a boy. This is one of the songs that grew up about the singing school.

Alternate titles/related songs: "Oh, Childhood's Joys are Very Great."

Sources:

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