

THE LOYAL LEGIONIER.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK COMMANDERY M. O. L. L. U. S.

AIR—*Son of a Gambolier.*

Lively.

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand plays a melody of eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a rhythmic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

Ho! sol-diers, sail - ers, and ma-rines, I sing a jol - ly blade, Who

no - bly "fit in - to the war," And nev - er was dis-mayed; Who

nev - er was dis-mayed, brave boys, Nor walked off on his ear; A.....

gal - lant U - nion sav - er was The gal - lant Le - gion - ier.

Chorus.

The loy - al, loy - al, loy - al, loy - al Loy - al Le - gion - ier, The

loy - al, loy - al, loy - al, loy - al Loy - al Le - gion - ier; He

takes a drink, when he is asked, Of whis-key, wine, or beer : A.....

gay and fes - tive "so - jer" Is the Loy - al Le - gion - ler; A

gay and fes - tive "so - jer" Is the Loy - al Le - gion - ler.

When this cruel war was over he laid down his canteen,
And soon upon Fifth Avenue was daily to be seen,
Arrayed in Devlin's stunning suits, he gaily did appear,
And "mashed" the girls both left and right—this Loyal Legionier.

Chorus.

He drives a dog-cart in the Park, he borrows from a friend—
Though always on the borrow, he nothing has to lend—
And when the ladies see him pass, they cry out, What a dear!
Quite fond of admiration is the Loyal Legionier.

Chorus.

He is deep in Fred De Bary's books, and Park & Tilford's too :
He eats soft clams at Parker's ranche, at Dorlon's takes a stew ;
His checks are in the Gilsey till, his notes are far and near ;
He pays like Ancient Pistol, does the Loyal Legionier.

Chorus.

So piously he goes to church, and always enters late—
He slides in after the Deacon has passed around the plate ;
A pilgrim at the Brunswick shrine, he seeks the café rear,
To "find a man" to worship with the Loyal Legionier.

Chorus.

**When all his plants have run to seed, and cheek is found no go,
He seeks a situation with great Barnum's moral show ;
Or deep in Colorado's mines he ends his bright career,
Then all at last with him is *ore*, the Loyal Legionier.**

Chorus

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