

## **Bill Anderson**

# **"Picture From Life's Other Side"**

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In the world's mighty gallery of pictures hang the  
scenes that're painted from life  
There hang pictures of love and of passion and there's  
pictures of sorrow and strife  
There hang pictures of youth and of beauty of old age  
and a blushing young bride  
But the saddest of all that hang on the wall are the  
pictures from life's other side  
Just a picture from life's other side someone has fell by  
the way  
A life has gone out with the tide that might have been  
happy some day  
There's a poor old mother at home who's watching and  
waiting alone  
Just longing to hear from a loved one so dear it's a  
picture from life's other side  
Now the first scene is that of a gambler who's lost all  
his money at play  
And he reaches down and takes his dead mother's ring  
from her finger  
The one that she wore long ago on her wedding day  
It's his last earthly treasure but he stakes it  
Then bows his head that his shame he might hide  
When they lifted his head they found he was dead  
It's just a picture from life's other side  
Now the last scene is that by the river of a heartbroken  
mother and babe  
As the harbor lights shine and they shiver on an outcast  
whom that no one can save  
And yet she was once a true woman she was  
somebody's darling and pride  
God help her she leaps for there's no one to weep it's a  
picture from life's other side

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