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"Burke And Hare"

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Tae help the folk in medical school, word is passed
around
A body nae mair than ten days auld will bring in
fourteen pound.
It's a terrible thing, but truth tae say ---in this age o'
greed
A man's worth little when he's alive, but plenty when
he's deid.

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An' it's doon the close an' up the stair
A but-an'-ben wi' Burke and Hare
Burke's the butcher, Hare's the thief
And Knox is the man that buys the beef.

So in the dark of mony a nicht, when a' guid folks are
sleeping
By the dyke and in the kirkyard come twa shadows
creeping.
An' mony a man that's could richt thru an' safely hid
away
He never thocht it wisnae the last he'd see the licht
o'day.

But no contentit wi' howkin' deid, a ploy that aye gets
harder
They've started pickin' healthy folk, and then
committin' murder.
An' a' arood the countryside creeps a fearsome pair---
Be ye man or wife or wean, ye're nae safe from Burke
and Hare.

Men and women, auld and young, the sickly and the
hale
Were murdered, packed up and sent off tae Knox's
human sale.
That man o' skill wi' subjects warm was frequently
supplied,
Nor did he question where or how the person brought

had died.

But noo auld Reekie can sleep at last; these two will
trade nae mair
It's the gallows tree for William Burke, and a pauper's
grave for Hare.

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