DON'T SEND YOUR CHILD FOR BEER.

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Send not your child to the black saloon

To purchase its filthy beer;

For it may take once, just only once To ruin the child fore'er.

A child is quick and apt to lean

And take to the styles of those

Who loaf at the bar and are ever seen

Where the poisonous fluid flows.

Send not your child with pitcher, pail,

To the sin-dive o'er the way,

Where powers for evil e'er prevail
And Good has never sway—
For it may take once, just only once

The child to start to hell!

It may take once, ah, only once— O, parent, ponder well.

Send not your child to the rum shop vile,
Where villians loaf within—