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1. High in the belfry the old sexton stands,
   Grasping the rope with his thin bony hands;
2. Bar ing his long silver locks to the breeze,
   First for a moment he drops on his knees;
3. Hear! from the hilltop, the first signal gun
   Thunders the word that some great deed is done;
4. Bonfires are blazing and rockets ascend—
   No meager triumph such tokens portend;

Fix'd is his gaze, as by some magic spell,
   Till he hears the distant murmur, Ring, ring the bell.
Then with a vigor that few could excel,
   Answers he the welcome bidding, Ring, ring the bell.
Hear! thro' the valley the long echoes swell,
   Ever and anon repeating, Ring, ring the bell.
Shout, shout! my brothers, for "all, all is well!"
   'Tis the universal chorus, Ring, ring the bell.
CHORUS.

"Ring the bell, watchman! ring! ring! ring! Yes, yes! the good news is now on the wing;"

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