

1. Way, hay, an' up she rises
Patent blocks of different sizes
Way, hay an' up she rises
Ear-ly in the morning.

**What shall we do with a drunken sailor?
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2. Put him in the long-boat till he gets sober
3. Keep him there and make him bale her
4. Trice him up in a running bowline
5. Tie him to the taff-rail when she's yard-arm
under

Notes:

A **walk-away / run-away / hand over hand**
or **stamp 'n' go** shanty
Can be used at windlass and capstan (Terry)

Alternative Titles: Drunken sailor, What shall we do
with the drunken sailor.

* **Doerflinger**, W M, 1951, ***Songs of the sailor and
Lumberman***, says:

On the words 'Way, hay and up she rises' the men
would stamp loudly on the deck. Because of this
custom, walkaway songs were sometimes known as
'stamp and go' shanties.

Hugill, Stan, 1994, ***Shanties from the Seven Seas***:

"A stamp-n-go shanty was the only type of work-song
allowed in the King's Navee.
It was popular in ships with big crews when at
halyards the crowd would seize the fall and stamp the
sail up.

Sometimes when hauling a heavy boat up, the falls
would be "married" and both hauled on at the same
time as the hands stamped away singing this rousing
tune.

In latter days, in bigger ships with smaller crews, it
was mainly used at the braces when "going about" or
to hand aloft a light sail ... as a hand over hand song.

"Normally only two or three verses were used, but
there were many more, some of them obscene and
even sacrilegious, the Virgin Mary being referred to in
one version.

"It was a very old shanty, having been sung in the
Indiamen of the John Company [East India Company].

6. Put him in the scuppers with the hose-pipe
on him
7. Take him, and shake him, and try and wake
him.
8. Give him a dose of salt and water
9. Give him a taste of the bosun's rope-end
10. Stick on his back a mustard plaster
11. What'll we do with a limejuice skipper?
12. Soak him in oil 'til he sprouts a flipper.
13. Shave his chest with a hoop-iron razor
... etc

"The air is from a traditional Irish dance as well as a
march tune."

Notes on the words

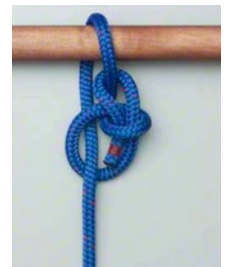
Blocks - pulleys

Early - always pronounced earl-eye. Hugill says
Sailormen liked the sound, as can be seen from his
pronunciation of California in Sacramento - Californ-
eye-O.

Way-hay - a savage yell hard to put in print. [Hugill]

Trice - to haul up or in and lash or secure

Running bowline - a knot; it
creates a noose which slides easily
and can also be slid undone easily.
It is recommended for use when
retrieving lumber or rigging which
has fallen overboard.
Watch how it works on [YouTube](#) or
see [animatedknots.com](#).



Taff-rail - rail at the stern of the
ship

Yard-arm - the end of a yard (a yard lies across a
mast), where the rigging is placed.

Scuppers - holes cut through the ship's side for
letting any water run overboard off the decks.

Eight bells - the ship's bell is rung after each half-
hour in a shift, starting with one bell, two bells etc..
Eight Bells is the most welcome, signifying the end of
the watch.