

A TWO GRAND WAGER

(based on a true story)

Verse 1

In the year of 1800, the Bank of England made a move,
A workman said they'd blundered, and the blunder would be proved.

Verse 2

The new gold vault was strong and safe, so they offered him two grand,
No way the gold of England could be rifled by this man.

Chorus

A two grand wager, worth more than a million pounds today,
A two grand wager, and the workman made them pay it all,
He made the Governor eat his hat, and gratefully decree,
The workman was indeed a man of deep integrity.

Verse 3

Some admired his honesty, and some said "What a fool"
But he just waited patiently, surrounded by a pool of nuggets.

Verse 4

When the staff arrived he wryly started to explain,
He'd entered through a trap door, from the sewers and the drains.

Chorus

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Bridge

What an honest man he was
He was honest to a fault,
When he could have easily stolen,
All the nuggets from the vault.

Chorus

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Yes the workman was indeed a man of deep integrity.

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