Hurry up, Harry

Come all you true born shanty boys and listen unto me,

And when'er a woodsman that you may chance to see we are a merry set of boys so handsomely young and fine. And spend the jolly winter a' cutting down the pine. Then it's hurry up Harry and Tom or Dick or Joe, And you may take the pail boys and for the water go. In the middle of the splashing the cook will dinner cry, And you ought to see them hurry up for fear they'd lose their pie.
Come all you true born shanty boys and listen unto me,  
And whene'er a woodsman that you may chance to see.  
We are a merry set of boys so handsome young and fine,  
And spend the jolly winter a-cutting down the pine.

Refrain
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There's blackstrap molasses, squaw bun as hard as rock,  
Tea that's boiled in an old tin pail and smells just like your socks;  
The beans they are sour and the porridge thick as dough,  
When we have stashed this in our crock it's to the woods we'll go.

Refrain
A-hitching up our braces and a-binding up our feet,  
A-grinding up our axes for our breed is hard to beat,  
A-shouldering up our crosscuts and through the woods we go,  
We make a jolly set of boys a-trudging through the snow.

Refrain
So deeply in the pine tree we notch to guide its fall,  
And not a man among us but will hear the timber call.  
A-crashing to the ground and we fall to with a will  
A-trimming up the branches and a-swearing with a will

Refrain
Arriving at the shanties with tired and wet feet,  
We all take off our socks and boots our suppers for to eat.  
At nine o'clock or thereabouts into the bunks we crawl,  
To sleep away the few short hours until the morning's call

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