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"Off Again, On Again, Gone Again"

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1. On a railroad section there was much objection, To a

2. Finnegans was married, but he often tarried, With a

3. Cut another caper, working on a scraper, Twenty

silent section boss named Andy Finnegans,

His stories up he carried mortar in a hod,

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never kept them posted,
friends begged him to drop it,
All at once he stumbled,

so one day they roasted Fin ne-
but he couldn't stop it So they
 tripped his toe and tumbled, As he

gan and ordered him to send reports in.
had to send him to a Keeley In sti tute.
fell it looked as if he'd lost an other job.

But not a word from
Now did he write a
At first he grabbed a

An dy, though the wire was hand y.
letter saying he was bet ter? Oh, no, he nev er
raft er, then a second aft er, Bound ing like a

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hit a cow and off the track it went, When it was all over,
said a word until he left the place, Wired them from Milwaukee,
rubber ball he fell from floor to floor, "Finnegans is falling!"

train conductor Hover, Left the wire to Finnegans, and
but he wasn't talky, This is all the message said to
every one was calling Ev'ry time he lost his hold the

Chorus

this is what he sent. "Off again, on again, gone again,—
them about his case. "Off again, on again, gone again,—
workmen all would roar. "Off again, on again, gone again,—
Fin - ne - gan. That was all he told 'em, just e - nough to
Fin - ne - gan. That was all he told 'em, just e - nough to
Fin - ne - gan. Lan - ded on a cop - per, took an aw - ful

hold 'em, Ten were dead the pa - pers read, but not a word of
hold 'em Where did he get his "tin" a - gain to buy an - oth - er
flop - per, Be - cause he struck an of - fi - cer on du - ty, why they

them he said, - Brev - i - ty's the soul of wit with Fin - ne - gan.
still a - gain? It must have been the "gold" they gave to Fin - ne - gan.
ran him in, It was a sin, the fine was "tin" for Fin - ne - gan.

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