

# 11. Home, Sweet Home

John Howard Payne, an American who spent most of his life as a wanderer over Europe, with no settled home, became famous as the author of this best known and loveliest home-song the world has ever sung. He was at various times, and actor, translator of plays, and finally U.S. Consul at Tunis, where he died in 1852. The music was probably composed by Henry R. Bishop, although he himself designated it as a "Sicilian air."

John Howard Payne

Henry R. Bishop

1. Mid-pleasures and palaces though we may roam, Be it ever so give me my  
2. An-ex-ile from home, splendor daz-zles in vain; Oh, give me my

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hum-ble, there's no place like home! A charm from the skies seems to  
low-ly thatched cot-tage a-gain! The birds sing-ing gai-ly that

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hal-low us there, Which, seek thro' the world, is ne'er met with else-  
come at my call; Give me them with the peace of mind, dear-er than

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**CHORUS.**  
where all. Home! home! sweet, sweet home! There's

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no place like home, there's no place like home.



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