

**1872**

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**Lewis Carroll**

Carroll, Lewis (pen name of Charles Lutwidge Dodgson) (1832-1898) - English novelist, poet, photographer, and mathematician, best known for his fantastical childrens' classics. He was a mathematical lecturer at Oxford. Two Thieves (1872) - One of Lewis Carroll's poems. Opening lines: Two thieves went out to steal one day / Thinking that no one knew it:...

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(To the Misses Drury.) TWO thieves went out to steal one day  
Thinking that no one knew it: Three little maids, I grieve to say,  
Encouraged them to do it.

***'Tis said that little children should Encourage men in stealing!***

But these, I've always understood, Have got no proper feeling.

An aged friend, who chanced to pass Exactly at the minute, Said  
"Children! Take this Looking-glass, And see your badness in it."

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**THE END**