

PURIM

Mordecai Day or Purim are one in the same,
Two days we observe and gladness proclaim.

A feast in the palace where Queen Vashti was commanded to attend,
But Queen Vashti refused, and met her end.

Her royal estate the king would give to another,
This, was given, to our foremother.

Her Hebrew name Hadassah was changed to Esther,
Now the Queen of Persia and Medes, was our ancestor.



She had never wanted to be queen,
But Mordecai said it might help our people, but, on this, Esther was not keen.

Mordecai advised his cousin not to reveal her heritage to the king,
For if our enemies get wind of it, problems, it would bring.

Haman was set over the people and made them bow,
But Mordecai would not as this was his vow.

This angered Haman so he schemed to kill the Jews,
Then Esther revealed her identity and Haman and his family were old news.



On these two days we celebrate with joy, feasting and more,
Sending portions one to another and gifts to the poor.