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Paul Laurence Dunbar (1872-1906)

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While de price o' coal is risin' an' dey's

two.

Some folks

two months' rent dat's due.

While de price o' coal is risin' an' dey's

says dat gold's de only mo-ney dat's wuff de

Name.

(mo-ney, mo-ney, mo-ney, mo-ney, mo-ney, mo-ney)

den de o-thahs rise an' tell 'em dat dey
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ought to be a shame. (money, money, money, money, money, money, money, money)

an' dat sil-vah is de only thing to save us f'om de

pow ah of de gold-bug de gold-bug de gold-bug ra-gin' roun'

an' seek-in' who he may de vow-ah (money, money, money, money, money, money)
Well, you folks kin keep on shout-in'.

wif yo' gold er sil-vah cry, but I tell you peo-ple hams is sceerce and fowls is roost-in' high.

An' hit ain't de so't o' mo-ney dat is pes-ter-in' my min',

but de ques- tion I want an-swehed's how to get at an-y