

SOMEBODY'S DARLING.

Into a ward of the white-washed walls,
Where the dead and the dying lay,
Wounded by bayonets, shells and balls,
Somebody's darling was borne one day.
Somebody's darling—so young and so brave—
Wearing still on his pale sweet face,
Soon to be hid by the dust of the grave,
The lingering light of his boyhood's grace.

Matted and damp are the curls of gold
Kissing the snow of the forehead brown,
Falls are the lips of the white mould,
Somebody's darling is dying now.
Back from the beautiful blue-veiled face
Brush every wandering silken strand,
Cross his hands, as a sign of grace—
Somebody's darling is still and dead.

Kiss him once, for somebody's sake,
Murmur a prayer, soft, sweet and low;
One bright curl from the cluster take—
They were somebody's pride, you know.
Somebody's hand has rested there—
Was it a mother's, soft and white?
And have the lips of a sister fair
Been baptized in those waves of light?

God knows best! He was somebody's love,
Somebody's heart enshrined him there;
Somebody's name was on his lips,
Somebody's hand on the wings of prayer,
Somebody's hand when he marched away,
Looking so handsome, brave, and grand,
Somebody's kiss on his forehead fair,
Somebody's hand on his parting hair.

Somebody's watching and waiting for him,
Yearning to hold him fast to her heart,
There he lies with the blue eyes dim,
And smiling, childlike lips apart,
Tenderly bury the fair young dead,
Pausing to drop on his grave a tear,
Care on the wooden slab at his head,
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An Act to Enforce the Collection of Unpaid Taxes in New Hanover County.

WHEREAS, It appears that by reason of an injunction from the Courts, restraining the collection of a part of the County tax of New Hanover county for the year 1875, such tax was not collected at the time required for collection of State taxes for that year, and

WHEREAS, Said injunction was vacated after the State taxes for that year had been collected and paid into the Treasury, and

WHEREAS, Much of the tax so enjoined, not being paid after the dissolution of said injunction, the tax-collector sold the property for said unpaid taxes, and in all cases where there was no bidder at the sale, was bid in for the County of New Hanover, and a deed made for the same to said county, which deed the county now holds; therefore,

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Sec. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

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