

**Baby is Dead.**

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The baby is dead,  
How still it sleeps;  
Dear baby is dead,  
Its mother weeps:  
And the tear-drops fall on her thin white hands,  
Like a summer shower on the thirsty sands;  
The hope of a mother lies cold and still,  
In that little white coffin near the sill!

And father stands by  
With bowed head—  
No grief like a sigh:  
Baby is dead.

A wee satin shroud,  
Narrow its bed;  
The clock ticks so loud,  
Baby is dead.

So still the house you can hear your heart beat,  
The wheels of the hearse sound harsh on the street;

The children tell Aunt, in a room near by:—  
They—"Can't make out why a baby should die!"

"Little hands and feet,  
"All pink and red,  
"Like a dolly neat,  
"Is baby dead?"

A little green mound,  
A tiny stone,  
In churchyard ground  
Stands all alone!

But up in Heaven a new face is seen,  
Where never a sigh nor a tear hath been,  
And the angels sing to that baby fair,  
Till its mother arrives to claim it there,  
Sweetest songs of love:  
No death—no sin,  
In that Home above  
Can enter in!

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deeper depths, upon the verge of which they stand, rather taking the risk of going unbidden into the presence of the Great Judge than become the companions of devils upon earth. General Booth has made an honest effort to help them, and before any of us condemn him, we should be prepared to suggest a more excellent way. It will do us all good to look down into the pit, and pray, "Good Lord, deliver us."

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