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W I L L I E

Safe at Home!

Answer to "Willie we have missed you."

H. Disley, Printer, 57, High-street, St. Giles.

YES, Mary, it is me, dear, safe, safe at home,
And never more from thee, dear, will I attempt
to roam;
For I have made a vow, nature's laws for to obey,
And with my wife and children this Christmas for
to stay,
I left you here in grief, when I cross'd the briny
foam,
But, Mary dear, thy Willie's [here, to spend
Christmas at home.

Oh, Mary, when we parted, long, long ago,
I was almost broken-hearted to see thy sad tears
flow,
But duty called me off, with the gallant and the
brave,
To the burning shores of India, British subjects
for to save :
To the happy cot I left, oh, my mind did often roam
But, Mary dear, thy Willie's here, safe, safe at home
I was often sad and weary, naught could my spirits
cheer,
The thoughts of thee, dear Mary, and friends I
love so dear,
Brought tears into my eyes, and fill'd my heart
with pain ;
I was afraid I'd ne'er behold my native land again
Far, far across the main, with the army I did roam
But, Mary dear, thy Willie's here, safe, safe at
home.

In grief and lamentation, no matter where I went,
I thought of each relation, and the happy days I
spent,
With my pretty children dear, as they play'd
around my knee,
But I could not hear their voices, nor their smiles
could I see.
For we were separated by the mighty ocean foam,
But, Mary dear, thy Willie's here, safe, safe at
home.