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An elegy on the death of a mad dog.

Written

By
Dr Goldsmith

Pictured

By
R. Caldecott

Sung

By
Master Bill Primrose

[Illustration]

Good people all, of every sort,
Give ear unto my song;
And if you find it wondrous short,
It cannot hold you long.

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In Islington there lived a man,
Of whom the world might say,
That still a godly race he ran,
Whene'er he went to pray.

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A kind and gentle heart he had,
To comfort friends and foes;
The naked every day he clad,
When he put on his clothes

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And in that town a dog was found:
As many dogs there be—
Both mongrel, puppy, whelp, and hound,
And curs of low degree.

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This dog and man at first were friends;
But, when a pique began,
The dog, to gain some private ends,
Went mad, and bit the man.

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Around from all the neighbouring streets
The wondering neighbours ran;
And swore the dog had lost his wits,
To bite so good a man.

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The wound it seem'd both sore and sad
To every christian eye;
And while they swore the dog was mad,
They swore the man would die

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But soon a wonder came to light,
That show'd the rogues they lied—
The man recover'd of the bite;
The dog it was that died.

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