Trimdon Grange Explosion

Thomas Armstrong, 1882



Men and boys left home that morning For to earn their daily bread, Little thought before the evening They'd be numbered with the dead; Let us think of Mrs Burnett, Once had sons and now has none -With the Trimdon Grange explosion, Joseph, George and James are gone.

February left behind it What will never be forgot; Weeping widows, helpless children May be found in many a cot. Little children kind and loving From their homes each day would run; For to meet their father's coming As each hard day's work was done.

Now they ask if father's left them, And the mother hangs her head, With a weeping widow's feelings, Tells the child its father's dead. Homes that once were blessed with comfort Guided by a father's care Now are solemn, sad and gloomy, Since the father is not there.

God protect each lonely widow, Help to raise each drooping head; Be a Father to the orphans, Never let them cry for bread. Death will pay us all a visit; They have only gone before. We may meet the Trimdon victims Where explosions are no more.