67 Trooper Cut Down - Mr Anderson







As I was a-walking down by the Lock Hospital; as I was a-walking one morning of late, who did I spy but my own dear comrade wrapped in flannel, so hard is his fate.

I boldly stepped up to him and kindly did ask him why he was wrapped in flannel so white.

'My body is injured and sadly disorded all by a young woman, my own heart's delight.'

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"Had she but told me when she disorderd me; had she but told me of it in time
I might have got salts and pills of white mercury, but now I'm cut down in the height of my prime.'

4
'My father oft told me, and sometimes chided me, and said my wicked ways would never do.
But I never minded him, nor ever heeded him; I always kept up in my wicked ways.'

5
'Get six jolly fellows to carry my coffin, and six pretty maidens to bear up my pall, and give to each of them bunches of roses that they may not smell me as we go along.'

6
'Over my coffin put handfuls of lavender;
handfuls of lavender on every side;
bunches of roses all over my coffin,
saying, 'There goes a young man cut down in his prime.'

7 Muffle your drums; play your pipes merrilly; play the dead march as you go along, and fire your guns right over his coffin. There goes an unfortunate lad to his home.