John Watts "The Bonny Bunch Of Roses"

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By the margin of the ocean
One pleasant evening in the month of june
The pleasant singing blackbird
His charming notes to tune
Then I saw a woman
All in great grief and woe
Conversing with young bonaparte
Concerning the bonny bunch of roses, oh

And then up and spoke the young napoleon
And he took hold of his mother's hand
Oh mother dear be patient
And soon I will take command
I'll raise a terrible army
And through tremendous danger go
And in spite of all of the universe
I'll conquer the bonny bunch of roses, oh

And when first you saw the great napoleon
You fell down on your bended knee
And you asked your father's life of him
And he's granted it most manfully
Then he took an army
And over the frozen alps did go
He said I'll conquer moscow
And come back for the bonny bunch of roses, oh

And so he's took three hundred thousand fighting men
And kings likewise for to join his throng
He was as well provided for
Enough to take the whole world along
But when he came to moscow
All overpowered by driving snow
And moscow was a-blazing
And he lost the bonny bunch of roses-o

Oh my son don't speak so venturesome For england she has a heart of oak And england and ireland and scotland Their unity has never been broke So son think on your father In st.helena, his body it lies low And you will follow after Beware of the bonny bunch of roses, oh

And it's goodbye to my mother forever For I am on my dying bed Had I lived I might have been clever But now I bow my youthful head And while our bodies do molder And weeping willows over us do grow The deeds of brave napoleon Will sting the bonny bunch of roses-o

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