Unknown "Clementine"

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CLEMENTINE

In a cavern, in a canyon,

Excavating for a mine,

Dwelt a miner, forty-niner

And his daughter Clementine.

Oh my darling, oh my darling

Oh my darling, Clementine

Thou art lost and gone forever,

Dreadful sorry, Clementine.

Light she was and like a fairy,

And her shoes were number nine,

Herring boxes without topses

Sandals were for Clementine

CHORUS

Drove she ducklings to the water

Every morning just at nine,

Hit her foot against a splinter

Fell into the foaming brine.

CHORUS

Ruby lips above the water,

Blowing bubbles soft and fine,

But alas, I was no swimmer, So I lost my Clementine. **CHORUS** Then the miner, forty-niner Soon began to peak and pine, Thought he oughter jine he daughter, Now he's with his Clementine. **CHORUS** In my dreams she still doth haunt me, Robed in garments soaked in brine; Though in life I used to hug her, Now she's dead, I draw the line. A remarkable ballad developed in San Francisco toward the end of the nineteeth century. It became a favorite college song during the Reconstruction period. Additional verses (Boy Scouts and others)RG In a churchyard, 'neath a gravestone Where the myrtle doth entwine. There are posies, and some roses Fertilized by Clementine. How I missed her, how I missed her How I missed my Clementine!

Till I kissed her little sister

And forgot my Clementine.

All you Boy Scouts, take fair warning

From this dreadful tale of mine.

Artificial respiration

Would have saved my Clementine.

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