

About the Children

Tom Paxton

The conversation pauses, while the waiter pours our tea,
This timely interruption is a great relief to me.
I wish he'd stay all day, I'd never have to say,
About the children.

You're looking really lovely, and the dress is really you.
The necklace I remember, but the bracelet must be new.
But that's another day, I clear my throat and say
About the children.

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