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THREE BABIES IN A ROW.

THREE BA-BIES.

Three ba-bies sit-ting in a row, Sweet-er than hon-ey is, I know. Said Ba-by Em, to Ba-by Jay: "I think we'd bet-ter run a-way.

"Out in the gar-den we will go, To see the ro-sy po-sies blow, To see the plums hang ripe and sweet,

And get us one a-piece to eat!"

"O yes, O yes," said Ba-by Jay;
"It is a love-ly, sun-ny day;

And plums are nice! let us go!

I'm tir-ed of sit-ting in a row."

Said Ba-by Em to Ba-by Zee:
"If you'll be one, we will be three.

The plums are good; you'd bet-ter come."

But Ba-by Zee just sucked his thumb.

So Ba-by Em and Ba-by Jay, Two naugh-ty ba-bies, ran a-way.

And two mam-mas ran aft-er them,

And caught the ba-bies, Jay and Em;

And bore them home in sad dis-grace,

While tears rolled down each ba-by face;

And gave them sups of milk and bread;

And put them in their lit-tle bed;

And one mam-ma gave Ba-by Zee,

Who didn't run a-way, you see, But stayed at home and sucked his thumb.

A great big, nice big, sweet big PLUM!

READ-ING THE PA-PER.

It is pa-pa's pa-per,
Come and see!
I can read it quite
As well as he.
Here is an A,
And here a D,
A fun-ny Q,
And a crook-ed Z.
And here, oh, here
Is a toss-it and bake-it
Pat-ty-cake T.



A LIT-TLE MOTH-ER.



SO BUS-Y!

I must make my dol-ly a dress that fits;
'Tis a shame to have her look this way;
Her oth-er was torn in-to lit-tle bits,
When Ton-y shook her so yes-ter-day.

Here's nee-dle, and thread, and thim-ble too,

Oh, I've so much to do - so much to do!



OUR LIT-TLE HORSE-MAN.

There is a lit-tle boy in our house, who drives horses from morn-ing till night.

When he gets out of bed in the morn-ing, he says, "I put on my shoe-tock-ies, mam-ma."

Mamma gives him his shoes and stock-ings, but when she is all dress-ed her-self, she looks a-round and sees a lit-tle bare-foot boy, with a shoestring in each hand, driv-ing his shoes for a team. As soon as this lit-tle boy gets his break-fast, he takes pa-pa's cane and a whip, and can-ters up and down the long din-ing-room.

When he is tired of rid-ing horse-back, he fas-tens his lines to the win-dow-blinds and calls them his "match-es." Then he says, "I'm do-in'a dwive. Will 'oo do a-long, mam-ma?"

Then he thinks he will have a big stage-coach. He harand draws up the big rock-er for a coach. He rocks as fast as he can, and cracks his whip, and shouts to his horses. He thinks he is a big man.

When af-ter-noon comes, he goes out in the yard. He puts old Dol-ly's bri-dle o-ver his head, and a-round his bod-y, and drives him-self. Then, if we talk to him, he does not an-swer. If we tease him too long, he says:

"Don't 'oo see I'm a horse? Horses can't talk."



As soon as his broth-er cries: "Bruv-ver Tom, let me to me, mam-ma."

ness-es four chairs for a team, | drive 'oo! let me drive 'oo!" He puts his red lines



I'M A HORSE NOW.

a-round Tom, and a-way they both go. He has a live horse now, and that is best of all. By and by night comes, and a tired and sleep-y lit-tle boy climbs on mam-ma's lap.

"Why, how is this?" she "Moth-er doesn't have says. horses on her lap."

"I ain't a horse an-y more. comes home from school, he I'm 'oo lit-tle boy now. Sing



A SPLEN-DID-LY MAN-AGED ROAD.

THE GREAT BLOCK TRAIN.

Hur-rah! With a rat-tle, a bang, and a roar,
A train rush-es o-ver the nur-ser-y floor.
The Great Block train of the Nur-ser-y line —
A train of blocks with a track of twine.
And the en-gi-neer, No-ah, stands prim and straight,
Per-haps mus-ing dark-ly, the while, on Fate,
That, from sail-ing for ages a-cross the main,
Has brought him to man-age the Great Block train.

Six pas-sen-ger cars, with a "freight," and a "mail," Fol-low the en-gine that trav-els the rail;

There's a cow-catch-er, smoke-stack, and bell in view, For the build-er, though small, knows a thing or two; And an ea-ger "di-rect-or," on ei-ther side, Watch-es over the safe-ty of folks that ride. Ah, a splen-did-ly man-aged road, it's plain, Is that run o-ver by the Great Block train!

The trav-el-lers, in-deed, are a mot-ley crew,
For there's Shem and Ham and Ja-phet too,
With their sev-er-al wives; then a duck and a horse,
And a mon-key climb-ing a stick, of course,
And a jump-ing-jack and a tall gi-raffe,
And a Jap-an-ese tur-tle — I'm sure you'd laugh
At the com-i-cal crowd a list would con-tain
Of the pas-sen-gers on the Great Block train.

"Let her go, Char-lie!" "Send her off, Ted!"

"Hi, Mr. No-ah, hold on to your head!"

"Toot, toot!" goes the whis-tle; the bell, "Ding, ding, dong!"

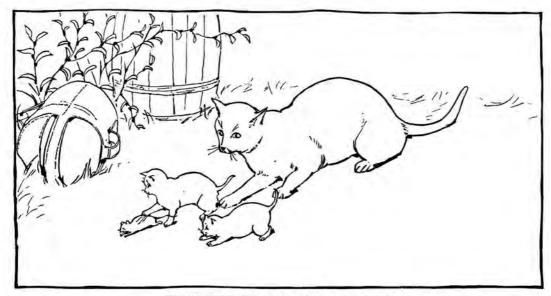
Whizz! Bang! The fast train rat-tles a-long.

Down the line, round the curve, now with a roar

It flies, fast and fu-ri-ous, o-ver the floor!

"Ding, dong!" "Toot, toot!" Here it comes up a-gain,

Hur-rah, for the fun of the Great Block train!



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