My Princess

ER little wooden shoes go patter-patter-pat

On the cobbles of the summy old French street,

As she toddles down the hill with a rat-a-tat-a-tat,

And there's music in the clatter of her feet-

Oh, her hair is molten sunshine with the shadows flitting through,

And her big round eyes are twinkling, shining stars,

And her laughter is the sweetest that the old world ever knew

Since the fairies fluttered through the rainbow bars.

So I count myself her subject, and 1 stand to serve her needs

And I come to lay my homage at her feet,

But she laughs and clatters by me, and she never looks nor heeds—

And when she langhs she looks so wondrous sweet!

And I'm sad when she is sorrowful, and glad when she is gay,

And every day I love her more and more,

But she tramples on the heart of me, and laughing goes her way—

My little Princess—aged just four.