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## Being Useful.

Pm only quite a little girl,
But once was smaller still;
I used to cobble up my work,
And do it—O so all!

And yet I always took such pains, And thought I worked so well! Perhaps you don't admire it yet, Only you will not tell.

I can't quite thread my needle yet, They make the hole so small; Mother's the only one that can, For Grannie can't at all.

And father says he can't see how
We women ever can;
The needles have such little eyes—
But then he is a man.

I am but quite a little girl,
But I am useful too,
For mother says so; I know how
Quite many things to do.

The cradle I can rock, and sing, And carry baby out A little way, and then I let Him creep and trot about.

The dinner I can help to set,
And put away the tea;
And many things there are to do,
Just lit for Tom and me.

Sometimes we play at sweeping up, And making all things neat;