

CHIT CHAT AND CHUCKLES.

MY BABY.

My baby must have gone away,
Here, in my arms, but yesterday,
Or scarce so long ago,
His golden head upon my breast,
His weary little limbs at rest,
I rocked him to and fro.

The little darling's roguish eyes
Are bright and blue as summer skies,
Or Scottish belles, so fair;
But sleep does veil with lids like snow,
And like the summer sunshine glow,
His waves of golden hair

And so my baby sleeps, and I,
Am guarding o'er with watchful eye,
My fount of pride and joy,
But changes came and baby grew
So fast and strong, that ere I knew,
My baby was a boy.

A child, in boyish blouse and skirt,
Who rides a broom and delves in dirt,
Whose cheeks are dark with tan,
Comes romping in with noisy shout
To see what mamma is about—
My sturdy little man.

But O' with head upon my breast,
No baby nestles close to rest,
I have him still I know,
My boy fills all my heart, but I
Oft bow my head, and murmuring sigh,
"I miss my baby so."

"So" said Mr. Donegan, "they's been printing the funeral notices av a man that's not dead yet. It's a nice fix he'd be in if he had boon wan o' those people that believe iverything in the newspapers."

LUCK'S CLOVER.

You will find that luck
Is only pluck
To try things over and over.
Patience and skill,
Courage and will,
Are the four leaves of luck's clover.

A FEASIBLE PLAN.—Neighbor—Every time you feed your dog, he brings the bones over and gnaws them on my premises. Isn't there some way to stop it?

Owner—Suppose you feed him hereafter, then he'll probably bring them over and gnaw them on my premises.

UNDERSTOOD HIS BUSINESS.—Fruit Vender—"Why you notts tella me move on?"

Policeman—"Your cart is not in the way there."

Fruit Vender—"Don I put ita in da way and I wanta you tella me move on."

Policeman—"What for?"

Fruit Vender—"Dat make big crowd and I sella banan."

A PAIR OF THEM.

Ah! I think we met before,
You wore Nellie—I was Jack.
Hem! "We're rather near the door?"
Well, let's move a little back.

Still as charming, I perceive,
As you were in the old days
When we both could still believe
In each other—time betrays—

Time betrays—excuse me—hush!
There is some one standing by.
But I say, why was that blush?
"You are married?"—so am I.

HAPPY SHE.—Fortune teller—You are soon to be married to the man you love.

Miss Calculate—Is he a blond?

"Yes."

"Is his name Harry?"

"Yes."

"Will he give me a ring with a turquoise and two diamonds?"

"Yes."

"Are we going to Europe on our wedding journey?"

"Yes."

Miss Calculate (to friend)—Isn't it wonderful.

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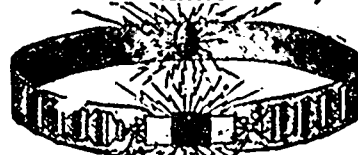
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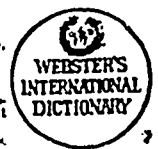


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