

He'd shut his eyes and shake his tail,  
And greet you with a smile,  
Then gently telegraph his leg  
And raise you half a mile.

He bit a Thomas cat in two,  
And pulverized a hog;  
He dissected seven Chinamen,  
And mashed a yellow dog.

He kicked the stuffing from a goose,  
And broke a nigger's back;  
He stopped a New York railway-train,  
And kicked it off the track.

He stopped a steamboat with his head,  
And kicked it out of sight;  
He kicked a boarding house apart  
At twelve o'clock at night.

The boarders in their short night-clothes  
Just stood and held their breath,  
When he rammed his hind-leg down his throat  
And kicked himself to death.

### BEFORE AND AFTER

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HE calls her his dearest, his darling,  
His dearie, his dove,—for you see,  
More frequent than raindrops in April,  
Are love terms beginning with D.

#### AFTER.

The cooking is really quite dreadful,  
The baby is howling high C;  
And frequent as raindrops in April,  
Are phrases beginning with D.