



Master Truelove's

Play Game,

Being a pleasing entertainment for Little

Boys and Girls.

By which they may learn their Letters, as soon as they can speak as they are Riddles and Sayings of old Mother Goose.

(Embellished with Cuts.)

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The Alphabet in Roman Capital
Letters.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRST
UVWXYZ &

Roman small Letters.

abcdefghijklmnopqrstu
vwxyz.

Italic Capital Letters.

*abcdefghijklmnopqrstu
vwxyz.*

Double Letters,

ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff ff

The Vowels.

a e i o u y.



There was a Madman.

THERE was a madman,
 And he had a mad wife,
 And they lived in a mad land ;
 They had three children all at a birth
 and they were all mad every one ;
 the father was mad, the mother was mad,
 the che children all mad besides,
 they got up upon a mad horse,

and so madly they did ride,
 they rid up a mad lane and down a mad lane
 Until they came to a mad green,
 and then they met a starft blind man,
 and knocked out both his e'en.



Churn better churn, come butter come,
 Peter stands at the gate,
 waiting for a butter cake,
 Churn butter churn,



There was a little man,
 and he had a little gun,
 and the ball was made of lead,
 He went to the brook,
 and he shot a little duck,
 and he hit her upon the head,
 then he went home to his wife Jone,
 to bid her make a good fire,
 to roast the duck that swam on the brook,
 and he would go and fetch the drake

The sow came in with the saddle.

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The little cat rocked the cradle,
 the dish jumped at top of the table,
 to see the pot swallow the ladle,
 the spit that stood behind the door,
 Call'd the dish clout a dirty whore.
 So, so, said the grid iron can't you agree?
 I'm the head constable, bring them to me.



The play of the wide mouth wadling frog
to amuse and exercise the memory.

q. BUY this of me?

a. What is it?

A man and twelve hounds

A hunting in mine and another man's
ground :

Eleven ships sailing on the main,

Some bound for France and some for
Spain ;

Ten constellations in the sky,

Some low and some high,

Nine peacocks in the air,

I wonder how they all got there,

I don't know nor I don't care ;

Eight joiners in a joiner's hall,

Working with their tools and all,

Seven lobsters in a dish,

As good as any heart could wish,

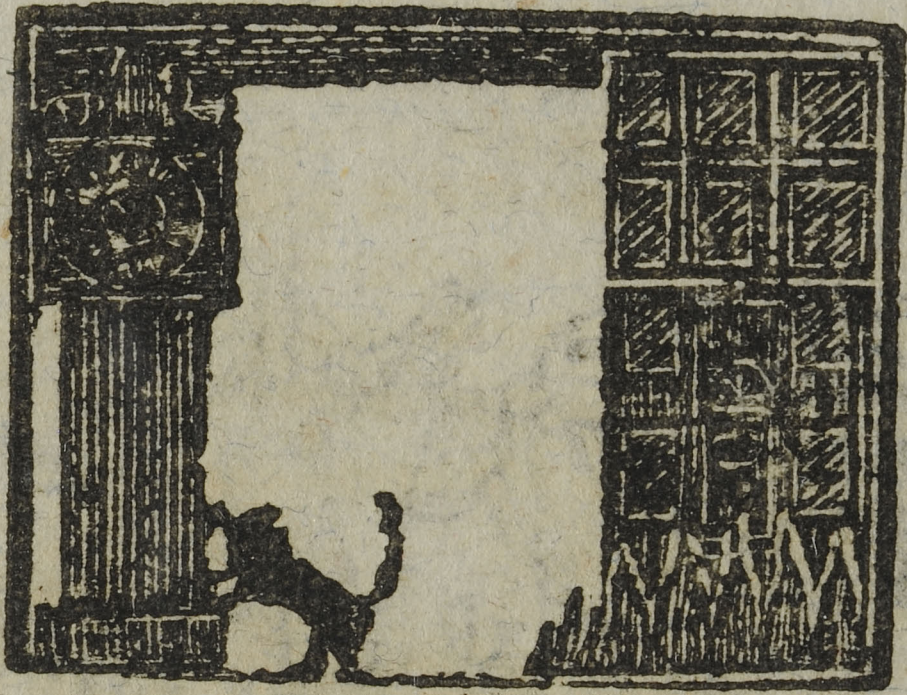
Six beetles against a wall,

Close by an old woman's apple stall :

• Five puppies by our birch ball,
Who daily for our breakfast call ;
Four mares stuck in a bog,
Threc monkie tied to a log,
Two pudding ends that will choak a dog.
• With the gaping with mouth wadling frog.

See here he is.





Huddery diddery duck,
 The mouse ran up the clock.
 The clock strnck one,
 The mouse fell down,
 And its hiddery diddery duck.

The Moppit.

I HAD a pretty moppet,
 I kept it in my pocket,
 I fed it with corn and hay,
 There came a proud beggar,
 and swore he would wed her,
 and stole my little moppet away.



The piper and his cow.

There was a piper had a cow,
 and he had daught to give her,
 He took a pipe and play'd a tune,
 and bid the cow cofider,
 The cow confidered very well,
 and gave tha piper a penny,
 To play the fame tune o'er again,
 The corn riggs are bonny.

There was a man so wise.



There w's a man so wise,
He jumped into a bramie bush,
and scratched out both his eyes ;
and when he saw his eyes were out,
He had reason to complain,
He jumped into a quickset hedge,
and scratched them in again.



Two dogs went to a market town,
 One foot up, and the other foot down,
 and when they came to a dirty place,
 They went hop, hop, hop, a-pace.

The boy that storms and shews his airs,
 Is whipt as well as he that swears,

RIDDLE I.



q. Out of the eater came forth meal,
and out of the strong come forth sweet!

a. It was honey taken out of Sampson's
Lion.

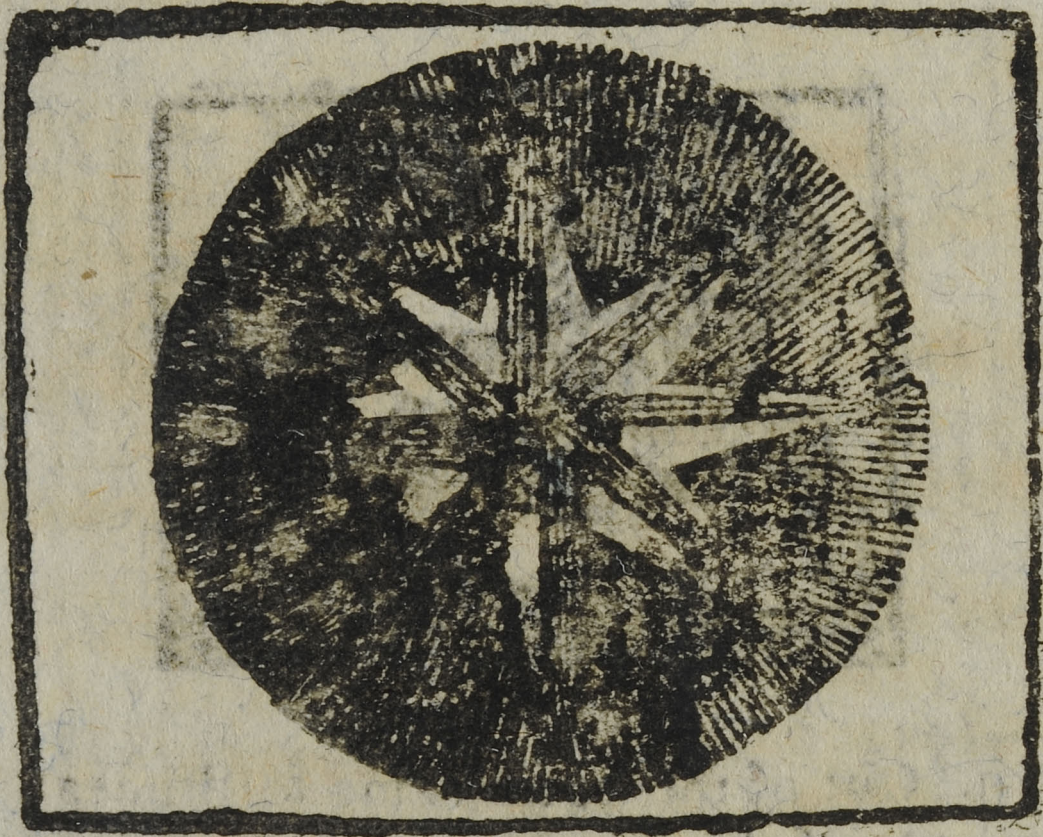
RIDDLE II.

q. The world I view in a little space,
I'm restless changing place.

Nothing I eat, yet by my power,
Procure what millions do devour.

a. The Sun.

RIDDLE III.



q. In the time of old as scripture doth
record:

Loved one that did not offend the Lord
Tho' truth he spoke, and did no sin
commit,

Yet in Christ's kingdom he shall never sit,
a. It is Baiaam,

WHEN the sun doth rise, you must
 ger up each day,
 And fall on your knees and to God hum-
 bly pray,
 Then kneel to your parents their blessing
 implore,
 And when you have money give some to
 poor,
 Your hands and your face, in the next
 place wash fair,
 And brush your apparel and comb out
 your hair;
 And wish a good morning to all in in your
 view,
 And bow to your parents and bid them
 adieu,
 Salute every parson to school as you go,
 When at school to your master due rever-
 ence shew,
 And if you can't read, pray endeavour to
 spell,
 For by frequently spelling you'll learn to
 read well,

Shun all the idle boys, the wicked and
rude;

And pray only play with those boys who
are good,

To church you must every Sunday repair,
And behave yourself decently while you
are there,

At the close of the day e'er you go to you
rest,

Kneel again to your parents, and be again
blest;

And to the Almighty again humbly pray,

That he may preserve you by night and
by day.

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