Baby Una.

She comes to me from morning tub, When tears are scarcely dry, And says - while eyes get furtive rub -"No! Baby wouldn't cry!" That nasty noise is all up dere Go 'way, you naughty noise!"

Then, good again, with tender care She gathers up her toys.

Poor Neddy Boy has shed a wheel, One Dolly's got no eyes, While Teddy Pussy's lost her squeal And Quack! Quack! headless lies. But still the maimed and broken toys To Baby's heart are dear; The house is filled with tears and noise If any disappear.

"Won't" is a very naughty word Which babies may not use, So now a certain little bird

"Can't" let me tie her shoes! It's - "Baby <u>can'</u>t go up to bed!" When time has come for sleep; She sits and nods her drowsy head With - "Baby can't go peep!" When someone's been a tiresome girl, After the naughty mood She offers me her nicest curl With - "Mamma! Baby's good!" With yet more fascinating guile - If still I look severe -She says with most engaging smile, "<u>Good-morning</u>! Mamma dear!"

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I hear the little pattering feet Go racing down the hall -Alas! ••• obstacle they meet And Baby gets a fall! But soon the pain is kissed away And Una's tears are ended -May all her days be just as gay! Her hurts as quickly mended!

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