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TO MY LITTLE READERS

Through Memory's door I fancy I see my Babes once more Surrounded by their playthings Upon the Nursery floor; And then again at twilight Within my fond embrace I watch the smiles and dimples Play o'er each pretty face. Now one has grown to manhood, My blue-eyed Baby Boy, He was and is a soluce, A treasure and a joy! The other little Darling Left me one autumn day, And oft when shadows deepen I brush a tear away. My heart was heavy laden, How could I rise above The longing and the wanting-The only way was Love! I'd love-I'd work for children Who're in the world to-day, Perhaps they'd like some verses To while an hour away! I'd think of them as gardeners, The rhymes as growing flowers, And rippling peals of laughter As happy summer showers!

Tis thus, my little Darlings, These rhymes were sown for you. Within your Nursery-gardens Will you plant my poems, too? Mother's Treasure Book



DEAR MOTHER

Dear Mother,
If every thought of mine for you
Could turn into
A violet blue,
Then on a flowery path you'd stray,
For violet-thoughts
Would pave your way,
Dear Mother!

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A YEAR OF BABIES

January Babies grow
As pretty, pure and white as snow!

February Babies, next, Have "Kindness" for their daily text!

Babies born in bleak March gale, Are healthy, happy, strong and hale!

April Babies sometimes cry, To help the flowers grow by and by!

Babies born in May are sweet, As blossoms pink, from head to feet!

Babies born in June prove true, And make the world a bower for you!

July Babies romp and run, And revel in the noon-day sun!

August Babies sleep away
The sultry hours of summer's day!

September Babies watch the sky, And sing a twilight lullaby!

October Babies weave gay wreaths Of smiles and autumn's golden leaves!

November Babies dance and play, And chase away the clouds of gray!

December Babies loving are With eyes that sparkle like a star!