

VERSE AND WORSE

Published @ 2017 Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd

ISBN 9780649728879

Verse and Worse by Harry Graham

Except for use in any review, the reproduction or utilisation of this work in whole or in part in any form by any electronic, mechanical or other means, now known or hereafter invented, including xerography, photocopying and recording, or in any information storage or retrieval system, is forbidden without the permission of the publisher, Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd, PO Box 1576 Collingwood, Victoria 3066 Australia.

All rights reserved.

Edited by Trieste Publishing Pty Ltd.
Cover @ 2017

This book is sold subject to the condition that it shall not, by way of trade or otherwise, be lent, re-sold, hired out, or otherwise circulated without the publisher's prior consent in any form or binding or cover other than that in which it is published and without a similar condition including this condition being imposed on the subsequent purchaser.

www.triestepublishing.com

HARRY GRAHAM

**VERSE
AND WORSE**

VERSE AND WORSE



0

VERSE AND WORSE

BY

HARRY GRAHAM

(‘COL. D. STREAMER’)

AUTHOR OF ‘BALLADS OF THE BOER WAR,’ ‘RUTHLESS RHYMES
FOR HEARTLESS HOMES,’ ‘MISREPRESENTATIVE MEN,’
‘FISCAL BALLADS,’ ETC., ETC.

LONDON

EDWARD ARNOLD

41 & 43 MADDOX STREET, BOND STREET, W.

1905

[*All rights reserved*]

23626. 7.70

HARVARD COLLEGE LIBRARY

MORRIS GRAY FUND

July 25, 1934

NOTE

THE BABY'S BAEDEKER and PERVERTED PROVERBS have been published in America by Mr. R. H. Russell and Messrs. Harper Bros. of New York.

'The Ballad of Ping-pong,' 'Bill,' and 'The Place where the Old Cleek Broke,' have appeared in *The Century Magazine*, *The Outlook*, and *Golf* respectively.

'Uncle Joe,' 'Aunt Eliza,' 'John,' 'The Cat,' and 'Bluebeard,' were included in Mr. Russell's American edition of *Ruthless Rhymes for Heartless Homes*.

CONTENTS

	PAGE
AUTHOR'S PREFACE	ix
FOREWORD	xi

PART I

THE BABY'S BÆDEKER

I. ABROAD	3
II. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	6
III. GREAT BRITAIN	9
IV. SCOTLAND	11
V. IRELAND	13
VI. WALES	15
VII. CHINA	16
VIII. FRANCE	19
IX. GERMANY	21
X. HOLLAND	23

VERSE AND WORSE

	PAGE
XI. ICELAND	26
XII. ITALY	27
XIII. JAPAN	30
XIV. PORTUGAL	32
XV. RUSSIA	33
XVI. SPAIN	36
XVII. SWITZERLAND	39
XVIII. TURKEY	41
XIX. DREAMLAND	44
XX. STAGELAND	47
XXI. LOVERLAND	48
XXII. HOMELAND	53

PART II

CHILDISH COMPLAINTS AND OTHER RUTHLESS RHYMES

CHILDISH COMPLAINTS—	
PRELUDE	57
APPENDICITIS	61
WHOOPING-COUGH	61
MEASLES	62

CONTENTS

<i>CHILDISH COMPLAINTS—continued—</i>		PAGE
ADENOIDS		62
CROUP		62
<i>RUTHLESS RHYMES—</i>		
I. MOTHER-WIT		63
II. UNCLE JOE		64
III. AUNT ELIZA		65
IV. ABSENT-MINDEDNESS		66
V. JOHN		68
VI. BABY		71
VII. THE CAT		72

PART III

PERVERTED PROVERBS

I. 'VIRTUE IS ITS OWN REWARD'	77
II. 'ENOUGH IS AS GOOD AS A FEAST'	86
III. 'DON'T BUY A PIG IN A POKE'	89
IV. 'LEARN TO TAKE THINGS EASILY'	91
V. 'A ROLLING STONE GATHERS NO MOSS'	92
VI. 'IT IS NEVER TOO LATE TO MEND'	96
VII. 'A BAD WORKMAN COMPLAINS OF HIS TOOLS'	99
VIII. 'DON'T LOOK A GIFT-HORSE IN THE MOUTH'	100
IX. POTPOURRI	103