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THE
LIFE AND DEATH
OF
JENNY WREN.

JENNY WREN fell sick
Upon a merry time,
In came Robin Red-breast,
And brought her sops and wine.



JENNY WREN.

“ Eat well of the sop, Jenny,
Drink well of the wine :”

“ Thank you, Robin, kindly,
You shall be mine.”

Then Jenny she got well
And stood upon her feet,
And told Robin plainly
She loved him not a bit.



JENNY WREN.

Robin being angry,
Hopp'd upon a twig,
Saying, " Out upon you,
Fie upon you, bold-faced jig!"

Jenny Wren fell sick again,
And Jenny Wren did die:
The doctors vow'd they'd cure her,
Or know the reason why.



Doctor Hawk felt her pulse,
And shaking his head,
Says, "I fear I can't save her,
Because she's quite dead."

"She'll do very well,"
Says sly Doctor Fox;
"If she takes but one pill
From out of this box."





With hartshorn in hand
Came Doctor Tomtit,
Saying, "Really, good sirs,
It's only a fit."

"You're right, Doctor Tit,
The truth I've no doubt of,
But death is a fit
Folks seldom get out of."

Doctor Cat says, "Indeed,
I don't think she's dead;
I believe, if I try,
She yet might be bled."



“ I think, Puss, you’re foolish,
Then says Dr. Goose ;
“ For to bleed a dead Wren
Can be of no use.”

Doctor Owl then declared
That the cause of her death,
He really believed,
Was the want of more breath

“ Indeed, Doctor Owl,
You are much in the right ;
You might as well have said
The day is not night.”

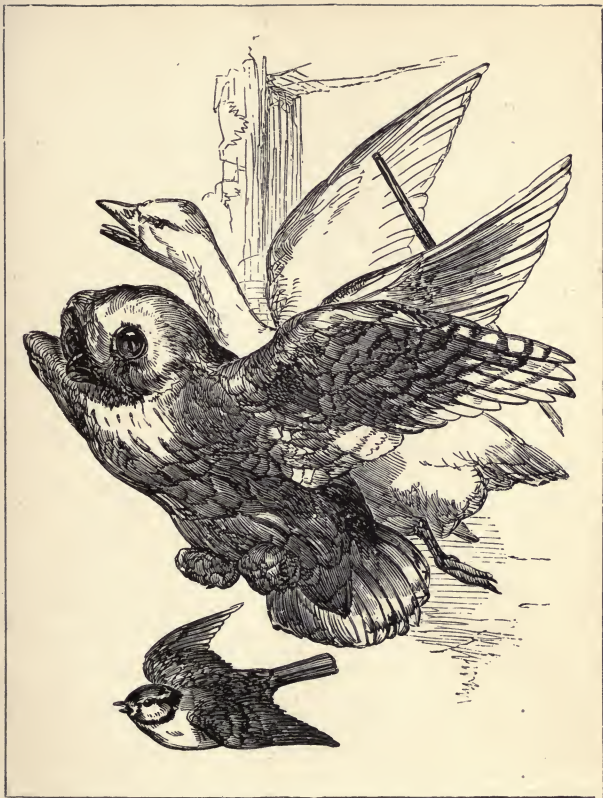


Says Robin, "Get out!
You're a parcel of quacks
Or I'll lay this good stick
On each of your backs."

Then Robin began
To bang them about;
They staid for no fees,
But were glad to get out.

Poor Robin long for Jenny grieves,
At last he covers her with leaves;
Yet near the place a mournful lay
For Jenny Wren sings every day.

POOR JENNY WREN!







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