

The Baby Show - song lyrics

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THE BABY SHOW.

Oh, come and see the baby show,
It is a pretty sight;
We've every colored infant here,
Magenta, blue and white.
We've babies more than eight feet high,
And thirty square yards round;
I wouldn't miss a sight like this
For five and forty pound.

Spoken.-Hi! hi! they're all alive, and some of 'em kicking; all warranted sound. Hear 'em cry!

Chorus.
The baby show, the baby show,
Come, bring your wives and mothers.
Come and see the baby show,
Come and hear the darlings crow.
The baby show, the baby show,
Come, bring your little brothers,
Your uncles and your grandmothers.
To see the baby show.

The pretty little infant there
Who's playing with a rattle.
Weighs six pound two and six, and lives
On Thorley's food for cattle.
You see that pensive piebald child.
That interesting pet.
Takes first prize at the show, and takes
Whatever he can get.-Chorus.

That olive branch of six months old,
Although he cannot speak.
Can read and write, and understands
His Latin and his Greek.
The next child, only ten days old.
Hus grown so very stout,
He takes his mother in his arms
And carries her about.-Chorus.

The next one is a knowing child.
He must be, for he states,
That though his mother whacks and loves
His doctor whacks and aches.
The way he bit his aged nurse
Brought tears into her eyes;
He says, that as he is a twin,
He's sure t'win a prize.-Chorus.

That boy there is a little girl,
Just two foot high of age,
She's took to drinking, and with her
The bottle's all the rage.
The other child does nothing else
But suck his little thumbs;
Just put your finger in his mouth,
You'll bless his little gums.-Chorus.

It's feeding time, step in and see
The pretty little dears;
But if your "nerves are weak at all.
You'd better stop your ears.
Then when we think you've seen enough
We give a hint to go,
And pinch the children till they cry.

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Which clears the baby show.-Chorus