Baby On The Brain - song lyrics

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I've often heard it said, that it's nice to be a father,
And have a popsey-wopsey of your own;
But I'd rather be excused from such a little bother,
Experiences of others I have known.
If any thing will show more plainly than another,
That George is "off his crank," the reason's plain,
He's just become a dad, and his wife's become a mother,
And they both have got the "baby on the brain!"

Chorus.

The baby, the baby, it's nothing but the baby!
They bless it and caress it till cries with pain;
They dance it up and down, and kiss it for its mother,
Oh, it's awful to have a " baby on the brain! "

How proudly does he tell all his friends that he's a daddy, And wonders why, before they had not known; He whistles and he sings, " with my folderolderaddy." And "Remember, You Have Children of Your Own!" "Helen's Babies " have a charm, also "Other People's Children," He reads them over, time and time again; Oh. ain't he got it bad! I'm afraid he won't recover From that ailment, called the " baby on the brain. - Chorus.

He's tickled most to death, when his friends they all admire, And say, he is the image of, his dad; They say, he's got his nose, and they anxiously inquire, "If lie's troubled with the 'colly-wobbles' bad?" The youngster doesn't mind the mischief he is making, He eats and sleeps, and sleeps and eats again; He's got the thing down fine, and with baby mirth he's shaking, For he knows his pop's got " baby on the brain! "-Chorus.

But the worst thing of it all, is the naming of the baby; Mamma thinks "George Augustus" would be sweet, Papa does not agree, he says, " Christopher Columbus," And to hear the names proposed is quite a treat. They finally agree, he's christened plain " Augustus!" Sweet baby, may your glory never wane; Now, ladies, (pray excuse me), when you are thus afflicted, I hope you'll not have " baby on the brain!"-Chorus.