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ACROSTICS: LITTLE MAIDENS, WHEN YOU LOOK

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Carroll, Lewis (pen name of Charles Lutwidge Dodgson) (1832-1898) - English novelist, poet, photographer, and mathematician, best known for his fantastical childrens' classics. He was a mathematical lecturer at Oxford.

Acrostic: Little maidens, when you look (1861) - An acrostic is a poem in which certain letters in the lines (often the first) taken in order form a name, a word, a motto, or an alphabetical sequence. Opening lines: Little maidens, when you look / On this little story-book,...

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LITTLE maidens, when you look
On this little story-book,
Reading with attentive eye
Its enticing history,
Never think that hours of play
Are your only HOLIDAY,
And that in a HOUSE of joy
Lessons serve but to annoy:
If in any HOUSE you find
Children of a gentle mind,
Each the others pleasing ever
Each the others vexing never
Daily work and pastime daily
In their order taking gaily
Then be very sure that they
Have a life of HOLIDAY.
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