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Carroll, Lewis (pen name of Charles Lutwidge Dodgson) (18321898) - English novelist, poet, photographer, and mathematician, best known for his fantastical childrens' classics. He was a mathematical lecturer at Oxford.

Three Little Maids (1869) - One of Lewis Carroll's poems. Opening lines: Three little maids, one winter day, / While others went to feed....

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(To the three Misses Drury.) THREE little maids, one winter day, While others went to feed, To sing, to laugh, to dance, to play, More wisely went to-Reed.

Others, when lesson-time's begun, Go, half inclined to cry, Some in a walk, some in a run; But these went in a- Fly.

I give to other little maids A smile, a kiss, a look, Presents whose memory quickly fades; I give to these- a Book.

Happy Arcadia may blind, While all abroad, their eyes; At home, this book (I trust) they'll find A very catching prize.

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