

Albert takes piano lessons

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"Mother" said Albert
"I'd like to take piano lessons,
It'll only cost you 3 and 6
For 6 half hour sessions."

Sometime ago Albert had insisted
On learning to play the drums,
But father burnt his drum sticks
When they found out he was all thumbs

But it takes more than one refusal
To deter the little lad
And when he looked up at mother
His big brown eyes so sad, she said

"Well Albert,
I suppose there's worse things you could do,
But you'll have to make a contribution
How about cleaning your fathers shoes?"

So on that very day
A new deal was done
And although there was no piano in the house
The piano lessons begun.

Father said "we'll buy the lad a piano
When we find one where all the keys play,
And it costs no more that £3.50"
Mother said "that'll be the day!"

But Albert is a resourceful child
And he made a fake piano
Out of cardboard, and nicely coloured in
And set out neatly on the mantle.

Albert was determined
To prove mother and father wrong
And each afternoon when he came home from school
He was singing the Doh Ray Me song.

And then he went to the mantle
To practice Three Blind Mice
Of course he had to sing the tune
And mother said "Albert, that sounds very nice."

One night he sneaked out quietly
To have a word with the vicar
"Can I play you a tune on the church organ?" said Albert
"Yes my son" came the reply with a wiff of liquor!

So he struck up on the organ
As confidently as can be
Once he had located
The all important middle C

"Three blind *church* mice" he played
Albert new it would impress
And the vicar listened patiently
And when Albert had finished he said

"Albert, I have an old piano
But all the keys didn't play.
You are welcome to borrow it
Go and see what your mother and father have to say."

So Albert got the old piano
And sometimes he practices all night long
Only trouble is mother and father
Are tired of hearing the three blind mice song!.
