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A Frog among some rushes dwelt,
A Bachelor was he;—
No Frog was ever so polite,
Or such a beau could be.

In passing near a cottage once,
He chanced to look above,
And there beheld a pretty Mouse,
With whom he fell in love.

Her eyes and whiskers he admired—
Her coat of softest fur,
And wished to make her feel for him,
The love—he felt for her.

So he then put on his scarf of red
His opera-hat he wore;
And, hopping to the house, he gave
A rat-tat at the door

Mousey, as bashful as a young
miss,
Retir'd from Froggy's view,
But peeped at him from out
her hole,
As Froggy nearer drew.

Froggy approached and doffed
his hat,
Then, bending on his knee,
Said—Fairest Mouse, pray lis-
ten to
My tale of love for thee.

In me, the most wretched of Frogs,
You see a love-sick swain;
Oh! say—you'll mistress Froggy be,
And make me well again.

I'm not like Rowley Powley, who once
Lived they say at Greenwich;
For I'm sincere, and he, you know,
Was gammon, all and spinach.

A tiny house I have, hard by,
hard by,
'Tis built among the rushes;
You shall have dainties, every
day, with
Sips from wild-rose bushes.

Miss Mousey simper'd and look-
ed prim,
Then modestly she said,
"I've long admired your yellow
dress,
And handsome scarf of red.

"Oh! how can I resist that
tongue?
Those eyes of golden red;
Your offer I accept at once,
And will no other wed."

No more was said, but arm in
arm,
To church they hopp'd away,
Got married—and prepared a
feast
To grace their wedding day.

And to that wedding feast there
came
Some frogs of high degree,
And mice of birth illustrious,
And first-rate pedigree.

But what it was they feasted on
We will not here record,
But, be assured, they had the
best
The season could afford.

The feast concluded, toasts went
round,
In water from the rill;
And then eight merry frogs and
mice
Got up to dance quadrilles.

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