

Tom Thumb's Alphabet

A was an Archer,
who shot at a frog;

B was a Butcher,
who had a great dog;

C was a 'Captain,
all covered with lace;

D was a Drunkard,
and had a red face;

E was an Esquire,
with pride on his brow;

F was a Farmer,
and followed the plough;

G was a Gamester,
who had but ill luck;

H was a hunter,
who hunted a buck;

I was an Innkeeper,
who dined on grouse,

J was a Joiner,
who built up a house;

K was a King,
so mighty and grand;

L was a Lady,
who had a white hand;

M was a Miser,
and hoarded his gold;

N was a Nobleman,
gallant and bold;

O was an Oysterman,
who went about town;

P was a Parson,
and wore a black gown;

Q was a Quack,
with a wonderful pill;

R was a Robber,
who wanted to kill;

S was a Sailor,

who spent all he got;

T was a Tinker,
and mended a pot;

U was an Usurer,
a miserable elf

V was a Vintner,
who drank all himself;

W was a Watchman,
who guarded the door;

X was Expensive,
and so became poor;

Y was a Youth,
that did not love school;

Z was a Zany,
a poor, harmless fool.

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