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*For all the little victims of the dreaded scritchy-scratchy beastie, you have my sympathies – S.H.*

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I have a lot of little friends,

Who live upon my head.

They jog and jive and jiggle

When I am in my bed.



And then, when I am fast asleep,

Their wives start laying eggs.

Each egg contains a little louse,

With lots of little legs.

