No. 158. The Silly Little Duck. Ida M. Budd. COPYRIGHT, 1898, BY E. O. EXCELL. Chas. H. Gabriel. WORDS AND MUSIC. ALTO SOLO. 1. A down-y lit - tle duckling Went waddling off one day; He did-n't like the 2. The oth-er lit - tle ducklings Looked at him rue-ful-ly, And felt quite grieved to 3. The wa-ter in the duck-pond Looked cool and nice to him; The morning was so 4. He caught a great big June-bug, As fat as fat could be; But then it was-n't 5. And then this lonely duckling, What did he, do you think? He took that bug and oth-er ducks; With them he would not play; He was too in - de-pend-ent, too, To see him walk A-way so scorn-ful-ly. "Quack! quack!" they said, as if to make Aver - y fine, He tho't he'd take a swim: So, in he plunged, but to himself Soon an - y fun With no one there to see; He wished the other ducks would come, As waddled back' Most quick as you could wink; And when the ducks came up and tried To stay with them, he said; He tho't it vast-ly pleas-ant-er To go a -lone in-stead. mends for all their lack; But he had grown so dig-ni-fied He wouldn't e-ven quack. said that he must own That it was ver-y tame indeed To swim a-round a-lone. oft they had in play, And chase him round, and round, and round, To get the bug away. take that bug a - way, He tho't it was the greatest fun He'd had for many a day.

