Aba Daba Honeymoon
by Arthur Fields and Walter Donovan (1914)

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They went up-on their aba daba honey-moon.

Way down in the Congo land lived a happy chimpanzee.

She loved a monkey, with a long tail, Lordy, how she loved him!

Each night he would find her there, swingin' in the coconut tree.

And the monkey gay, at the break of day, loved to hear his chimpie say:

"Aba daba daba daba daba daba dab" said the chimpie to the monk.

"Baba daba daba daba daba daba dab" said the monkey to the chimp.

All night long they'd chatter a-way; all day long they were happy and gay,

Swingin’ and singin’ in their honky tonky way.

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They went up-on their aba daba honey--moo-oo-oon, Honey-moon!

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