

⑥ Duck's Ditty

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All along the backwater,
Through the rushes tall,
Ducks are a-dabbling,
Up tails all!

Duck's tails, drake's tails,
Yellow feet a quiver,
Yellow bills all out of sight,
Busy in the river!

Slushy green undergrowth
Where the roach swim
Here we keep our larder,
Cool and full and dim!

Everyone for what he likes!

WE like to be

Heads down, tails up,

Dabbling free!

High in the blue above

Swifts whirl and call-

WE are down a-dabbling

Up tails all!