

## I Wish They'd Do It Now



1. I was born of Geordy parents one day when I was young  
That's how the Geordy language became my native tongue.  
That I was a pretty baby, my mother she would vow  
All the girls would run to kiss me, well I wish they'd do it now.  
**Chorus**  
Oh, I wish they'd do it now, oh, I wish they'd do it now,  
I've got itches in me britches and I wish they'd do it now.
2. When I was only six months old, the girls would handle me.  
They'd clutch me to their bosoms and they'd bounce me on their knees.  
They would rock me in the cradle and if I make a row,  
They'd tickle me, they'd cuddle me, I wish they'd do it now.  
**Chorus**
3. At sixteen months as fine a lad as ever could be seen,  
The girls all followed after me right down to the green.  
They'd make a chain of buttercups and drop it on my brow  
Then they'd roll me in the clover, well I wish they'd do it now.  
**Chorus**
4. Well the Eastern girls would call for me to swim when it was mild  
Down to the river we would go and splash about a while  
They'd throw the water over me, duck me like a cow  
Then they'd rub me nice all over, oh, I wish they'd do it now.  
**Chorus**

5. Well it's awful lonely for a lad to live a single life  
I think I'll go to the dance tonight and find meself a wife  
Oh I have got six brindled pigs, likewise one big fat sow  
There'll be plenty love and bacon for the girl who'll have me now.

**Chorus**

For the girl who'll have me now, for the girl who'll have me now,  
There'll be plenty love and bacon for the girl who'll have me now.

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Originally an American Pseudo-Irish minstrel show song.  
"Geordie" is both a regional nickname for a person from the larger Tyneside region of North East England and the name of the Northern English dialect spoken by its inhabitants. The term is associated with Tyneside, south Northumberland and northern parts of County Durham.

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