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prepared by Elsa Lebler,
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to students at my home
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for mail
To our Rabbi and Morenu,

As the only grandmother in your class
I have the privilege to pass
As a freeloader not a lass,

I sit in the back take no test,
Chew no gum, that's why I enjoy your shiur best

From Cordovero to the Ari
From Luria to Sabattai Zvi
You taught us Kelipoth, Sefiroth,
Mitzvoth, Nizazoth,
And Hovot Halevavoth.

As a teacher unsurpassed in "ism"
We learned Theism, Deism,
Pantheism, Acosmism, Antinomianism
Gnosticism, Anthropopathism,
Antropomorfism, Neoplatinism,
Mysticism, and Chassidism.

We heard about Sefer Yetzirah,
Nefesh and Neshamah,
Yirah and Ahavah,
Ruach, and Yechidah,
Emunah and Kedushah,
Sitra Acharah and Chochmah.

Transcendence,
and Immanence,

In our sleep
We repeat
In one breath like Schneur Zalman,
In the Tanya.

KETER, BINAH, CHOCHMAH, DIN, TIFERETH,
CHESSED, NETSACH, HOD, YESSOD, MALKUTH.

We really didn't waste our time.
If nothing else, we acquired a gift for rhyme.

You taught us Chassiduth,
Not just "meisses" but Devekuth.

To all the boys and lasses
In Rabbi Lamm's classes
May I recommend at the proper time,
A book, not of rhymes but of prose.
It is called a "Hedge of Roses".
They'll gain "Faith" not "Doubt"
Something of which they'll be proud.
They'll acquire kindness and stability
They'll "Reach" "Royal" heights in love and purity.

In "Bereshith" we knew "Ayin" but acquired knowledge
Not through Reb Nachman but Reb Nachum of Y.U. and Stern College.

May ^{ה'תשנ"ב} grant you and your whole mishpachah
Many, many years of ^{שלום} and ^{בריאות}.

Respectfully,

Your Chavurah

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