Notes to “Desiree’s Baby”

1. *L’Abri*: The Shelter

2. *corbeille*: Wedding presents (from the groom to the bride)

3. *cochon de lait*: Piglet

4. *Mais si, Madame*: Yes, indeed, Madam.

5. *La Blanche*: The white woman (the name apparently was given to the slave because of her light complexion).

6. *Negrillon*: Black boy.

7. *peignoir*: Robe or dressing gown.

8. l*ayette*: baby’s clothing.