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Select Poetry.

CRICKET-CRIES.

If the Autumn winds are all
In a tender sort of swoon,
You can hear the cricket call,
Any Autumn afternoon;
And should you heed him, soon
You will hear, it may befall,
Dreamy language wing its way
Through his low and dreamy lay:

"By the mist empurpled skies,
By the red leaves lying sear,
I know that Summer lies
In the lands that held her dear.
And with his sparkling spear,
With his icy-brilliant eyes,
Snow-bearded Winter speeds
On his whitest of white steeds!

"Oh, the days will shortly be
When here I must not sleep,
But in some black chink and wee
Of some old fireside creep—
To sleep, and wake, and sleep,
By the great log's yellow glee,
And slowly find, no doubt,
All the family-secrets out.

"From the hearth-fire's viewless flail
I can see the spark-chaff fly,
Ere that ashy film and pale
Furs the embers by-and-by,
How much better taste have I
Than my relative, the Snail,
Toasting here, as fate appoints,
My extravagant hip-joints!

"Hear the clock's quick tick, above
Even the butter north-wind's roar;
Hear old grandma, like a dove,
Coo her surreptitious snore;
Hear the lovers laugh—and more,
See the lovers making love!
And hear the purr of that
Tawny Sybarite, our cat!

"How I hearken, while I bask
To the hum the kettle makes!
In his dull prosaic task
How much merriment he takes!
Ah, for me that kettle makes
All the nightingale I ask,
Except it be, mayhap,
The pine log's bubbling sap!

"Why does Mary grow so pink
If she has not had a kiss?
It is fine, you lovers think,
To be making love like this,
Yet a pleasant blaze, I wis,
And a cozy little chink,
Bring quite as much content
To the cricket temperment!

"While the golden rods, in seas,
Plume the lanes and dales with gold,
While a glory smites the trees,
And the sumach leaves burn bold,
In my longing heart I hold
These, and pictures like to these,
Waiting days more bleak and drear,
That my first le voice can cheer!

"Oh, for winds of solemn tune,
Oh, for chilly lighted skies!
Since she cannot die too soon,
Oh, too slow the Summer dies!"
Now in just this dreamy wise,
On an Autumn afternoon,
If your faith be good and strong,
You can hear the cricket's song.

Selected Story.

MRS. BUTTERWORTH'S BOARDER.

Mrs. Butterworth's boarder had drawn her best rocking chair out upon the front porch and was now sitting with his slippered feet upon the railing, smoking his meerchaum, as coolly as though it were December instead of July.

Mr. Dessaint—as Mrs Butterworth had confided to her next door neighbor, the second day after his arrival, was the "queerest man you ever did see." He was a big, ruddy, blonde young fellow, with a face that would have been rather boyish, but for the manly chestnut beard. He had written that he was a crusty bachelor of twenty-five, and wanted a good place to kill the summer in. He certainly looked cool enough in his white duck suit and panama hat, as he sat there puffing contentedly at his pipe and watching Kitty Butterworth, as she walked up the path, swinging her hat a little nervously by the strings as she came along.

"Miss Butterworth," he said, letting his eyelids droop drowsily, and lazily regarding her through a cloud of freshly emmitted smoke, "you look warm."

"And why should I not, pray? I've been walking. You look cool enough though.

Without regarding this remark, which was delivered in rather a spiteful tone, Mr. Dessaint feebly motioned the smoke aside with his white hand, and laughingly said: "Miss Butterworth what do you suppose I was thinking of just now?"

"The person in whom you are most interested, I suppose."

"And whom do you suppose that one is?"

"Yourself."

"No; yourself."

"Indeed!" elevating her eyelids provokingly.

"Yes—or rather of your name. Miss Butterworth, candidly, now, don't you think yours is a very—well, a very homely sort of a name?"

Kitty fired up at once. "It may be a homely name, but we are homely people. But it has been good enough for my fathers before me, and I guess it is good enough for me."

"Well, but no offense, you know—don't you think you had better change it?"

"No, sir, not for any other that I ever heard of," and Miss Kitty bounded up stairs in a state of highly wronged indignation.

"What right had he to talk to me like that?" said she to herself. Change my name, indeed! I wonder what he meant. One thing I know. If I was thinking of so doing I should look for some less disagreable person than Mr. Louis Dessaint."

When she came down stairs, half an hour afterwards, looking fresh and smiling, in her white dress, she had forgotten all about the above conversation.—Mr. Dessaint was still on the porch, and Kitty came out with her sewing and sat down on the settee near him. They often sat thus in the summer afternoons, and to tell the truth almost always enjoyed talking to Mr. Dessaint, for no man could be more aggreeable and entertaining when he chose. But to-day some strange perversity seemed to have seized him. He sat idly regarding her for some time, while neither spoke. Finally he got up, knocked the ashes from his pipe, carefully refilled and relighted it, and then came and stood by her, looking down curiously at her or her work, she could not tell which."

"Miss Kitty," he began in the same bantering tone "excuse me for not saying Miss Butterworth. You know I dislike the name exceedingly—Miss Kitty, I have a very peculiar request to make.—Will you grant it?"

"Not before I know what it is, most assuredly."

"But I am going to tell you what it is."

"Very well," and she kept on with her needle work indifferently.

"I want you to marry me."

So abruptly, so unexpectedly was this very original proposal made, that the meaning of the words was not at once apparent.

Kitty looked up enquiringly at the face which was looking down at her—a face kindly in its expression in spite of the cynical moustache, which gave the mouth an ill deserved appearance of insincerity. Then, as she began to comprehend the full force of the words, the blood came rushing to her face. Poor Kitty! She little knew the man who stood so coolly nonchalent beside her.—She did not perceive the wistful, earnest light that showed deep down in his deep blue eyes, and she thought he was quizzing her. Slowly she gathered her work together, rose to her fullest height, and stood for a moment, her black eyes flashing back their indignation into his.—Then she angrily brushed aside the tears that would come in spite of her, and turned away, "grand as Boadicea, and twice as beautiful."

She never stopped till she reached her room, where she flung herself, sobbing, on the bed, and reproached herself bitterly for actually admiring this great, handsome conceited fellow, whose greatest delight seemed to consist in tormenting and mortifying her. Perhaps it would have consoled her not a little, could she have heard Louis Dessaint scolding himself for his folly after she had gone.

"Confound it!" he muttered, "why must I always go about a thing in this sort of way? When I am most in earnest, I invariably seem most trifling. No wonder she was vexed. Nobody would have suspected I really meant to pop the question. She didn't say no, anyway.—Perhaps I shall be more explicit next time. I'll try again this evening."

But Miss Kitty did not come down stairs again that night; and the next day, and the next, she kept herself so busy, and kept herself frigid when he approached her, that our hero found it impossible to explain himself. At length one evening he came down suddenly and found her alone on the porch. She would have ran past him into the house, but his burly form filled the doorway.

"Just one moment Miss Butterworth—it is a homely name, liang me if it isn't—I want to beg your pardon for my rudeness the other day."

In spite of his resolution, here he was speaking in the same provoking strain as before.

She bowed coldly and said: "It's of no consequence. Pray don't humble yourself to apologize. If you will allow me to pass, I think I will go in."

"But you will let me tell you first what I tried to make you understand before. Upon my honor, Miss Butterworth, I meant just what I said. I want you to marry me." And he made an unsuccessful attempt to take her hand.

"You are very kind, sir," she said in as freezing a manner as a poor girl nearly melted to tears well could, "but you must excuse me. I feel obliged to deny your request." And she hurried by him.

He stood a moment really grieved and very much puzzled to know how he could come to an understanding with her.—Then as she vanished up the stairs, he could not for the life of him avoid calling after her:

"Excuse me for not taking such an answer. You are under age, and I shall take the liberty of asking your father."

Miss Kitty was already so far away that it is a chance if she heard the closing portion of his remarks; but as fate would have it, Farmer Butterworth did. He happened to enter the gate just at that time; and Dessaint turning was much chagrinned to find him thus within hearing. However, the young man's habitual independence did not desert him and with characteristic decision, he determined to make the best of the situation. He came to the point at once.

"Mr. Butterworth—by the way dont you think your family name is a trifle awkward?—I want your consent to marry your daughter."

"Wall," slowly answered the farmer, "I don't know jes' what to say. What does she think about it?"

"I haven't asked her yet—that is—well, I think if I had your permission I could bring her around."

"Well, I'll tell ye just how it is, Mr. Dessaint," said the farmer after some thought, "even if she were willin', I don't know's I should be. I don't mind telling you that I'm in a mighty tight fix, jes' now. Old Sol. Wilson, down at Tidemill, has bought up the mortgage on this place, and I've jes' got word that he intends to foreclose it at once. 'Twas due long ago. He knows I can't pay the half of it, that's why he bought it. He's allus had a grudge 'gin me ever since I cut him out with Nancy. I don't keep so much for myself, but my wife and poor little Kitty—it'll go hard with them—" and the farmer fairly broke down and sobbed as he thought of his wife and child turned away from the old homestead. Louis was affected, but it was not his way to show it. At length he said:

"Why not let me take care of Kitty for you?"

"Well, Mister Dessaint," the farmer answered, brushing the tears from his eyes, and looking the young man straight in the face, "to tell the truth, you ain't jes' the man to trust a girl with. I like you fust rate, and I suppose you are a fine gentleman enough, but your hands don't look to me as if they could work much for a woman. You don't seem to have any business; and fine clothes and kid gloves won't support a family."

Louis Dessaint sat for a long time in silence smoking his pipe. It shamed him more than he cared to own, that a keen, just man like this could speak to him in such a way, and he could find no word for himself.

He had never told his host that he was wealthy, and it really pained him now to think that he, a young, strong, and, as he believed, a man not without talent, should appear to this honest farmer so poor a dawdler that he dared not trust his daughter to him.

Must he then say to the father, "I am rich," in order to win the daughter?—His pride revolted at the idea, and the subject was dropped for the time.

Long after the farmer went in the young man sat in no satisfactory reflection upon the worthlessness of his past life. There, alone with himself and the night, he resolved to no longer waste his time and talent in idly playing, but would rouse himself to action, and show the woman he loved and the man who had so kindly reproved him, that he was not the useless thing he seemed. Meanwhile, he was rich, and the farmer must not be driven from his home.

How could he pay the debt without betraying the fact of his wealth? Sleep came upon his weary brain while the question was yet unanswered. But the morrow took it into its own hands.

The next night, just after tea, the farmer his wife and daughter sat together on the porch. Dessaint had been with them a few moments, but the sadness which they vainly strove to banish from their faces made him somehow feel that there was a circle of which he formed no part at such a time and from which he ought to withdraw.

So he had betaken himself to his room just overhead, and was sitting at the window, playing softly on his flute. While thus engaged he saw a small, unprepossessing-looking man drive up to the gate, and after securing his horse, walked quickly into the yard. Presently loud tones below caused him to cease playing, and then the angry words of the stranger caught his ear.

"Well, well, John Butterworth, every dog must have his day. You had yours twenty years ago when you brought Nancy Colegate home to your father's house; and now I'll have mine when I drive her out. She might have had me and been a rich woman to-day; but she chose you, and now she may lie in the bed she has made."

Then Louis heard the manly but discouraged reply of the farmer, and then the spirited tones of his wife as she said:

"Yes, Solomon Wilson, I have made my choice, and be sure I had rather take my John to-day without a cent, than you with all your thousands."

"Very well. Saturday morning at ten o'clock I'll have the Sheriff on this porch to sell the farm to the highest bidder.—And I shall be the purchaser. Nancy Butterworth, I shall be the purchaser—and that very week you and your good-for-nothing husband and that nuzzy who can do nothing but embroider and piano playing—you'll all go packed off to the poor house—"

But the "said mortgage" was just here interrupted in his eloquence by a very large sized apparation which appeared suddenly before him.

A quick step on the stairs and Louis Dessaint had passed the family group and stood with rage before the startled visitor. "Another word, sir," he gasped, "and I shall forget you are an old man and I a young one—you contemptible old scoundrel, do you think that because you hold a mortgage on this place that you can come here and abuse an honest man in this way? My name is Dessaint. You've had dealings with my father, and you know that I can do as I say. Bring your mortgage here to-morrow and it shall be paid. Not a word, sir," he went on shouting, as the old man opened his lips to reply, and the white hand that Mr. Butterworth had ridiculed, unable to restrain itself, seized Mr. Wilson by the ear and led him writhing and snarling to the gate.

The man drove off shaking his fist at them in a threatening manner; and Louis, usually so calm, came back looking so fierce and red, that they all laughed in spite of themselves.

"Mr. Butterworth," he said, "you must let me take up the mortgage. I have more pocket money than I know what to do with, and, besides, I consider it a first class investment, you can pay me when you get ready."

We pass over the scene which followed—the many protestations of the sturdy farmer, and his final yielding and warm expressions of gratitude. An hour later as Louis found himself alone with Kitty Butterworth, in spite of his previous rejection by both father and daughter, he ventured to renew his suit.

"Kitty," he softly whispered, as he bent over her. "Don't you think you might be induced to reconsider that resolution? As true as I stand here, I love you better than any one on earth."

There was no answer, only the little hand struggled slightly to free itself, and even softly returned his warm pressure.

"And you will marry me?" he murmured.

"I grant your request,"—and somehow her head of its own accord, found its way to his shoulder, and his arm stole around her waist.

"And now, Kifty," said he, after a long hour of the most sentimental nonsense you ever heard of, "on your honor, ain't you glad you are going to get rid of the name—of Butterworth?"

And then he smothered her soft affirmation with a kiss.

THE FULL-BLOWN TRAMP.

Tramps of nearly every description pass through New Yorkin their peregrinations. A representative of this large and increasing body accosted a lady yesterday in that State about 8 a. m. She paused in her task of sweeping the front steps to answer in the affirmative his request.

"Madam. I am very hungry and would like some breakfast."

"Well, come in, I've cleared away the breakfast; but I'll see what I can get for you."

He entered, seated himself at the table and looked about with an expectant air. She remarked as she placed some substantial food before him:

"I haven't got any tea, I let the fire go out, not expecting; but we will see whether my neighbor has hot water, so as you can have some."

"Madam, I drink coffee, ask your neighbor for some coffee, not tea, 'tain't any use giving me breakfast without coffee—and I generally take cream; but I can get along with milk if you haven't got cream; but I'd much rather have the cream."

The tramp made these observations as though he was boss of the house, and in such a matter-of-fact way, that the party addressed, felt sorry when the neighbor informed her that no coffee was handy, but some tea could be had.

He received the news with a look of trouble depicted on his countenance glared at the tea before him and began a desultory course of conversation in which he bore the chief burden.

"I allers got disappointed up here, if it ain't coffee without cream it's something else. This is my second visit to Cahoos, Coos, Cahoos, or what d'you call it—and I don't think I'll strike it again. Last winter I wuz took in by the poor-master."

"Well, did you get a substantial meal there?"

"Well, I can't say about its being substantial. All I know about it is that I got coffee without milk and bread without butter, and I staid there two meals and a night and wasn't asked if I'd have cake or pie.

'Twas that way all over. You oughter see what the poor masters at Saugerties give us. He is a woman and she is allowed so much a meal and lives in a brown stone front, with a garden all around it. And we allers go right into the house and sit down to the table like first-class boarders, and she dishes out to us the luxuries and substantials, too.—'Tain't coffee without the fixings in Saugerties, but milk, sugar, butter pie and everything a man wants to sit down to. 'Tain't every town knows how to use folks as Saugerties do. If things keep on gettin' worse, it'll be hard for us to live as we'd like ter."

First she was thrown into a bewildered stare by the assurance of the tramp; this was succeeded by amusement, then astonishment which was rapidly developing into indignation, when he leaned back in his chair and requested her to bring pickles:

"Madam, I see you ain't put any pickles out. I allers like pickles 'specially at breakfast, as they are a good appetite sharpener."

She could not stand it longer, and seizing a poker brandished it over his head, and cried:

"You ungrateful brute, clear out; go and work for your living, it will sharpen your appetite. If ever you come around here again, I'll send for the police."

He rose up and fixing a reproachful glance at her, said:

"Madame, you are a very unappreciative individual; did I go and get mad because you had no coffee and cream? but when I ax for pickles you bile over, and threaten to call the police. Oh, woman, how unreasonable! Man was made to mourn! I wish you a good day and better manners by the time I call again. I would like to thank you for my breakfast, but I conscientiously can't; for a breakfast is not a breakfast without coffee and cream; without coffee and cream 'tain't no use to me!" and he backed out the door with his eyes on the justly angry woman, and soon disappeared, as he resumed his spunging tour.

"Well, I never," she ejaculated, as she dropped into a chair apparently overcome by this exhibition of independence, conceit and arrogance.

I Guess I'm the Man.

The praiseworthy frankness and entire absence of self-pride that characterizes the honest old farmer, of Maine, is illustrated by another honest farmer of the same State, who desiring to purchase a yoke of oxen, and being informed that a certain wealthy farmer in Cumberland county had superior cattle for sale, went down thither to purchase. Meeting a man driving an ox team he inquired:

"Can you inform me where Mr. West lives?"

"There are a number of Wests living around here. Which one do you wish to find?" returned the stranger, who was a stout-built, blue eyed man, habituated in home-spun, but bearing in general appearance unmistakable tokens of ease and comfort, so far as finances were concerned.

"I don't know what his Christain name is," pursued our friend; "but he is the owner of some very fine oxen."

"Well," responded the stranger," they all own pretty fair oxen."

"But the one I wish to find has oxen for sale."

"As for that, sir, I guess they'd any of 'em sell if they could get their price."

"But," exclaimed the Oxford county man "the Mr. West I wish to find is quite wealthy."

"Yes? Well, I reckon there hain't any of them very bad off," replied the other, with a nod.

"My Mr. West," continued our friend hesitating, "has been represented to me as a very close listed man, and not scrupuously honest in all his transactions."

With a curious twinkle of the eye, and gentle pat on the paunch of his near ox, he said:

"To tell the truth, sir, I guess they are a close-fisted set all around, and I never heard that honesty run in the family,—isn't there somethiug else?"

"Yes," replied the searcher for oxen, desperately, "they say he has been caught in the act of robbing his own brother's chicken roost."

The stranger bowed and smiled.

"I guess I'm the man. Come with me, and I'll show you as fine a stock of cattle as you can find in the state, and, if you know what oxen are, there is no danger of being cheated."

Brownlow, says Ames, of Mississippi, knows about as little of the temper and wants of his constituents as a mule does about mathematics." Hard on the mule.

A "Down East" Yankee has recently invented a rat exterminator, consisting of a sort of powdered snuff. The animal jerks his head off at the third sneeze.

Leigh Hunt was asked by a lady if he would not venture on an orange. "Madam," he replied, "I should be happy to do so, but I am afraid I might tumble off."

An Easton man advertises for "a boy to open oysters with a reference."

Home Reading.

WHEN ALL THE WORLD IS YOUNG.

When all the world is young, lad,
And all the trees are green;
And every goose a swan, lad,
And every lass a queen;
Then hey for boot and horse, lad,
And around the world away!
Young blood must have its course, lad,
And every dog his day.

When all the world is old, lad,
And all the trees are brown;
And all the sports are stale, lad,
And all the wheels run down;
Creep home, and take your place there,
The spent and maimed among,
God grant you find one place there
You loved when all was young.

GENTLE WORDS.

As echoes from the mountain side
Return to us again,
So gentle words of other days
Come like a soft refrain.
Amid the hopeless gloom around,
They touch the drooping heart;
We smile through tears, and fondly hope
The joy will ne'er depart.

Amid the childings of the world—
Its cold and cheerless toil;
Amid its wrecks and ruins wild,
And all its fierce turmoil,
We hear—and stronger, brighter grow
As time's blithe footstep trips—
Some gentle word, that long ago
Fell from a mother's lips.

And all the world grows light at once,
Around the way we plod—
While from the softened heart flows forth
Impulsive pleas to God,
The warm affections that were chilled
And torpid in the breast
Leap forth to meet a new born life,
And in its smiles be blest.

Ah, much of life that pines away
For sunshine never found,
Might still be made to live again,
By some sweet echo's sound.
And now where broken reeds lie dank,
And fens spread out in gloom,
The drooping flowers, mid sunny days,
Might spring to life and bloom.

Where thorns are hedging all around,
And tangled ways arise,
A shining path is sown through,
With smiles and tender eyes,
A fond caress from gentle hands
Dispels the stinging stroke;
The oriole's song is sweeter far,
Than gloomy raven's croak.

Then ye who chide and seek to sow
The seeds of better life,
Look well upon the fields around,
Sterile with blasting strife,
Drop here and there but golden grain,
Nor fear the raveling birds;
For ripening fields of purest joy
Will spring from gentle words.

"HE LEFT A LARGE PROPERTY."

This is the closing sentence of a recent obituary, and it suggests some reflections.

What a pity he was obliged to leave it! He had taken great delight in accumulating it.—As he added field to field, and farm to farm, he had looked with pride upon his extended domain, conscious that he was the largest land holder in his district. His cattle, if not wandering upon a thousand hills, ranged over more than that number of acres of rich pasturage.—Stocks, notes, bonds, mortgages crowded his safe. And it was all the fruit of his own industry, energy and good judgment. The rust of usury and the canker of extortion had not scarred any of his gold. It was well and fairly earned, and he loved it all the more because it was so. It grieved him to leave this large property to depart from the world as poor as he came into it, and, to enter the other world utterly destitute of the wealth he so much loved in this. But he had to leave it, every farthing of it.

He might have taken it with him. Rather let me say, he might have sent it forward in advance of him. As the capitalist who contemplates removing to a foreign country, converts his property into drafts, and remits from time to time to the land of his future residence, he might have made remittances to that undiscovered country, so that on his arrival there he would find abundant treasures laid up in heaven for him. Every pound which he had given (consecrating it with true prayer) to assist in carrying the glad tidings of salvation to the ends of the world; every contribution in aid of the many Christian enterprises for the glory of God and the good of man; every cup of cold water given to a disciple in the name of a disciple; every tear of pious sympathy for the suffering; every gift of kindly charity to the needy, would have added to the store of his "durable riches." He might have been rich toward God, and a joint heir of Jesus Christ, in an inheritance incorruptible, undefiled, and that fadeth not away. If it was sad for him to leave that large property, how much sadder that he sent *none of it before him.*

It is much more pleasant to go to; than to leave, a large property. The man who, poor in this world's goods, but rich in faith, closes his eye upon this life, goes to take possession of a large property. He owned not a foot of land on earth, but for him "sweet fields beyond the swelling flood stand dressed in living green." His food here was course, perhaps scanty; but there he will eat freely from the tree of life, which yields twelve manner of fruits.

His garments here were plain and poor; but there he shall be clothed in white robes, washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb. He associated here with those who are despised and rejected of men; but there his companions will be an innumerable company of angels and the general assembly and church of the first-born. Who would not rather go to a large property than to leave it?—*Southern Cross.*

The man who will stab at another's reputation, by insinuation and ingendo, is far worse than a thief. Property may be replaced; but character once lost, is all but irredeemable, and, as a great writer has said, "a single word sometimes is enough to ruin a man."

Never put much confidence in such as put no confidence in others. A man prone to suspect evil is usually looking in his neighbor for what he sees in himself. As "to the pure all things are pure," even so to the impure all things are impure.

If you intend to do a mean thing, walk till to-morrow. If you are to do a noble thing, do it to-day.

SHORT-LIVED MONARCHS.

If the English suppose that longevity inheres in the descendants of George III., says the Watchman & Reporter, they are not so well acquainted with the history of their rulers as they might be. That monarch was the father of fifteen children—of whom Prince Alfred died in his second year, and Prince Octavius in his fifth year. The Princess Amelia died just after she had completed her twenty-seventh year. Prince Edward, Duke of Kent, and the father of Queen Victoria, died at the opening of his fifty-third year. Prince Frederick, Duke of York, died in his sixty-fourth year, and George IV., the oldest son and successor of George III., died some weeks before the completion of his sixty-eighth year. Prince Augustus Frederick, Duke of Sussex, died just after the completion of his seventieth year, and Prince Adolphus Frederick, Duke of Cambridge, in his seventy-seventh year. The longest lived of all George III's sons was, we think, Prince Earnest Augustus, Duke of Cumberland and King of Hanover, who died in 1851 in his eighty-first year. Three of George III's children died young, and only three or four reached to old age.

In England no man is held to be old who has not completed his seventieth year. The celebrated Princess Charlotte, oldest grandchild of George III., died at the close of her twenty-second year. At one time it seemed as if the line of George III. were about to become extinct, since so few of his sons and daughters had children.

We should think the Prince of Wales' life would be considered a bad one to place in a lease, for it is a remarkable fact that only four of the English Princes of Wales ever reached the age of sixty years. Two of these exceptions were the Princes who afterwards became Edward III. and George IV., neither of whom lived to be sixty-eight, Edward III