

CORONATION.

Seeing a garden rare and sweet
I turned amazed its wealth to meet.
With color story all ablaze,
And soft tints lighting hidden arrays.

When came this miracle of grace
Where only barrenness had place?
Who wrought this wonder from the ground,
Whose garden lavished it around?

The gardener is a woman frail,
For arm is weak, her face is pale—
She speaks, uplifting thought eyes:
'It brings to me, as you, surprise.

'Naught had I that was rich or fine,
Only the drudgery was mine.
The weary toiling in the mold,
In wet and dry, in heat and cold.

'Heaven sent the rest, no work is lost:
Through drought or flood, or fire or frost,
In midnight gloom or dreary day
The crown divine amid speed its way.'

Elizabeth A. Blood, in Springfield (Mass.)
Republican.

There had been the usual run
Of stories about the campfire, when the
Lawyer spoke. It was a late fall camp.
Hunter's yards had run riot. Inventions
Had become exhausted.

'I am no sportsman,' he observed,
'but I have had some fun occasionally,
when I was younger.'

In a second he had the usual close
attention accorded to the quiet man who
unexpectedly becomes talkative. After
a moment, some one's pipe went out
and stayed out.

'It was back twenty years ago,
I was practicing in C—, in northern
Ontario, where clients were scarce and
poor as myself, and where a law practice
took one out collecting rents from
farmhouses ten miles apart, by roads
terribly rough—one wheel up a
boulder, the other down in a rut.

'The county towns adjacent are
Owen Sound and Barrie. Several times
a year I went to both places on circuit.
Owen Sound was a pretty wild place in
those days; plenty of young Englishmen
spending the quarterly allowance
they got from home the first week it
arrived, and plenty of young fellows in
banks and law offices trying to keep up
their end with much less money.
Shrieber Bolton, of Barrie, and myself
usually went every three months or so
to the Sound together. We knew all
the men about town and always counted
on a fairly good time while court
was in session.

'On one occasion we reached Owen
Sound pretty well played out. We had
had to stage it from Meaford, twenty-
four miles. So, when the first day's
work was over, we refused all invitations
and settled down after dinner to
a quiet smoke at our hotel.

'However, about nine o'clock some
chaps came along and fairly roared as
they went. There were Merrill, teller in one
of the banks, and Arnold, the son of a
wealthy brewer, both well-known
young fellows in the place, and whom
we had met frequently before. They
would not take any refusal. Go to
Dinny Dinoo's we must, before the
night was over; we were only there
once in a three-month, and so on.
Dinny kept a saloon with cardrooms
and billiards in a decent enough part
of the town, and we had been at Dinny's
before.

a little some one bent a card accidentally,
and a new pack was called for.
Dinny brought in the fresh cards still
in their unopened wrapper. Well, the
minute I laid eyes on the cards a horri-
ble suspicion seized me—horrible when
you consider that we were all friends
playing together—and, as opportunity
offered, I carefully examined my cards.

'A long time before I had found it
necessary, during a lawsuit, to study
thoroughly the systems of marking
cards. There are several of these, and
when you have mastered them it is an
easy matter to spot marked cards any-
where. So I knew for a dead certainty
that I could detect the cheat, if there
was one, and somehow, in spite of my
repugnance to believe it, I felt suspicious
of the new pack. So I waited a mo-
ment until I got two kings together and
compared them. There was no doubt
of it, the cards were marked!

'Naturally I was very angry; and my
first impulse was to dash down the
cards and denounce the players. When
I thought of the situation, we two
young chaps deceived in there to be
cheated out of the little money we had
by met socially and frequently, whom
we had entertained in our own towns—
I almost boiled over. Such a dastardly
bit of business! I am furious yet when
I think of it.

'However, I took a few minutes to
think over the matter, and presently
a beautiful scheme of vengeance
dawned upon me. I set out to find out
the system on which this particular
pack was marked. It was obviously a
very simple one, and I knew that the
minute I got on to it I could tell every
card in the pack. The two kings had
each a petal off the rose in the left-
hand corner on the back. As soon as I
got two queens together I examined
them and found that each had two
petals off the same rose. Then I was
led on to the system and there prom-
ised to be some fun ahead. I knew
every card in the pack and the others
were of course ignorant of my knowl-
edge.

'The situation was pregnant. Here
was Bolton, who was gently keeping
out of it, and to whom, therefore, it
was unnecessary to convey any warn-
ing; here were three young rascals de-
termining to play a game of cards in
a quiet smoke at our hotel.

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SIMPLY IMPOSSIBLE.



Little Fanny—Let's play we were
married.
Tommy—Can't. Ma said we must
keep quiet.—Trnth.

Impossible Conditions.
Miss Bright—Let's play 'portrait
gallery.'
Mr. Adorr—What sort of a game is
that?

Probably Knew His Business.
They were waiting for a State street
car.

Fate Was Against Him.
Traners (to collector)—I'm sorry I
can't settle your account, but I've just
had a tombstone put over my grand-
mother's grave, and it leaves me a lit-
tle short.

Office Boy (interrupting)—There's a
man outside to see you, sir.
Traners—Well, what does he want?
Office Boy—He wants to collect the
bill for a tombstone.—Brooklyn Life.

She Knew It.
Teacher (to class)—Can anyone tell
me why the lyrebird is so named?
Silence reigned for quite a time,
when a little five-year-old eagerly
raised her hand.

Where Woman's Taste Falls.
Manes—I believe Tom intends to re-
tire from the world and live in seclu-
sion permanently.
Taylor—What makes you think that?
Manes—I just overheard him tell his
wife that she might buy his next sup-
per for neckties for him.—Chicago Re-
cord.

A Serious Derangement.
Physician—Don't look so downcast,
my friend. Brace up and let's see
what I can do for you. Why do you
think your mind is in danger?
Patient—I don't think—I know. I
attended a farce comedy last night and
laughed at the jokes.—Chicago Record.

One's Pick Her Friends.
Little Ethel—I wish I could get
acquainted with Susie Sweet, but I can't.
She's awful exclusive.
Mother—Exclusive? Why, I never
even heard of the family.
Little Ethel—Didn't you? Her moth-
er keeps a candy stand.—Good News.

Wee Women.
Mother—How did you like that little
girl you got acquainted with?
Little Dot—I didn't like her a bit.
She's just horrid! She talked so much
about her dolls that I didn't get a
chance to talk about my dolls.—Good
News.

No Trifling Matter.
Miss Serelen—Do you think I would
trifle with a man's affection?
Miss Caustique—No, indeed; not if
you got a good hold on it.—Chicago
News.

LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD.

Anthracite coal used exclu-
sively, insuring cleanliness and
comfort.
ARRANGEMENT OF PASSENGER TRAINS,
FEB. 11, 1894.
LEAVE FREELAND.
6:05, 8:25, 9:35, 10:41 a. m., 1:35, 2:37, 3:45, 4:55,
5:50, 6:58, 7:15, 8:47, 10:10 p. m. for Drifton,
Jeddo, Lumber Yard, Hazleton and Hazleton.

ARRIVE AT FREELAND.
11:40 a. m. and 3:45 p. m. from Drifton, Jeddo,
Lumber Yard and Hazleton.
3:45 p. m. for Delano, Mahanoy City, Shenan-
doh, New York and Philadelphia.

THE DELAWARE, SUSQUEHANNA AND
SCHUYLKILL RAILROAD.
Time table in effect September 3, 1893.
Trains leave Drifton for Jeddo, Eckley, Haz-
leton, Stockton, Beaver Meadow, Roanoke and
Hazleton Junction at 6:00, 6:10 a. m., 12:10,
4:10, 6:10, 8:10, 10:10, 12:10, 2:10, 4:10, 6:10, 8:10,
10:10 p. m. Sunday.

RECAPITULATION.
To balance as per audit 1892-93... \$3,750.84
To amount expended by Jas. Wilson... 2,361.25
To amount expended by C. McLaughlin... 2,801.29

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REPORT OF AUDITORS OF FOSTER

Township on roads for years 1893 and 1894.
Tax Collector Wm. Jenkins,
agent for supervisors.
DR.
Total road taxes... \$4,397.14
Special tax, 1 mill... 50.83
Supplemental... 236.61

Abatement, commissions... \$109.77
Excavations... 284.86
Special tax not paid... 248.00

By amt't paid John Schnee,
personal orders... \$22.70
By amt't paid P. McFadden,
personal orders... 320.80

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