

They stood at the garden gate.
By the lifting of a lid
She might have read his face
In a little thing he did.

He plucked a beautiful flower,
Took it away from its place
On the side of the blooming flower
And held it against his face.

Drunk in its beauty and bloom,
In the midst of his idle talk;
Then cast it down to the gloom
And stood of the garden walk.

Ay, and did it under his feet,
As he lay in his pathway there;
Then spurned it away with his boot,
Because it had ceased to be fair.

Am the maiden might have read
The look of her young life then;
But she looked in his eyes instead,
And thought him the king of men.

She looked in his eyes and blushed;
She hid in his strong arms' fold;
And the tale of the flower, crushed
And spurned, was once more told.

BREVITIES.
The greatest fool every man has
known is himself.—Frazier.

"I live by my pen," said a poet,
wishing to impress a young lady;
"you look as if you lived in one,"
was the reply.

After all it is difficult to work at
anything except politics when the
money payment for the work has
lost all meaning.—London Spectator.

Upon the marriage of Miss Wheat,
of Virginia, an editor hopes that
her path may be flowery, and that
she may never be thrashed by her
husband.

The night before a Chicago man
died his poor wife sat up with him
all night, and became so interested
in reading Claude Duval that she
did not know when her darling
died.

An excited young man, clad in a
pair of slippers, recently rushed into
a church at Walpack, N. J.,
shouting, "Here I come in the
name of Jesus." He was taken out
in the name of the law.

A popular essayist says: "Perhaps
the great triumph of all moral writings,
including sermons, is that, at least,
they have produced some
sweet and innocent sleep."

The Hiawatha Literary Club con-
sidered this question lately: "Do
fads die of insanity?" We would
advise the members to try the fol-
lowing: "This is the butt end of a
goat."

Sandy: "I say, Jock, mon, did ye
ever get yer hair brushed by
machinery?" Jock: "Nay, what
likest, Sandy?" Sandy: "Wah, mon, it's
awful nice. Its near as good as
scrubbing yer head."

A newspaper in Ottawa county has
the following: "Last week we
announced the marriage of a young
friend, and now it becomes our
pleasant duty to announce that he
is the father of a bouncing boy."

The latest from Lawrence is that a
judge approved a witness in the
following classically forcible man-
ner: "Young man, if you speak that
way again, this court will forget its
dignity and punch you in the
snout."

A rural gentleman standing over
a picture in one of our stores at-
tracted general attention to himself
by observing to his wife, "Marlar, I
guess I'm going to have a fever. I
feel such hot streaks a runnin' up
my legs."

"What is the use of trying to be
honest?" asked a young man the
other day of a friend. "Oh, you
ought to try it once and see," was
the reply. And the young man
wanted to put a stick in his mouth
spoken friend.

Some questions very naturally
suggest themselves to an inquiring
mind. An amateur farmer won-
ders "why, on all this fine earth,
the ground is spread bottom side
up so that it is necessary to turn
over with a plow before crops can
be raised?"

A Parisian landlady requested a
Christmas party on the third floor
to cease dancing, as a man below
was dying. The guests acquiesced.
Returning an hour later, "My dear
children," she exclaimed, with the
most benevolent smile, "You may
begin again—he's dead."

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