Read by Miss Grace Kneeland at the Merchants' Carnival.

Birmingham is a fine little town,
With houses of white and houses of brown,
With wide, green lawns,
And flagstone walks,
And gossiping women,
Who have their talks;
With mineral wells,
And a lovely pond,
And Randall's park
A little beyond;
And the old grist mill
With its water so pure,
Of all save windows,
Which at you stare,
As the eyes of the citizens
Of the town when you
Wear something new
He is hat or gown,
The suspension bridge
Which the river spans,
The bridge beath the hill
Made by the hands
Of the men of our town,
So thrifty and wise,
Twas jumping the river
To save, we surmise.
How kind and how thoughtful,
For, had it not been,
In crossing the river
We might have fell in.
The river who's banks
Are all covered with green,
And flowers bright and beautiful
As ever were seen;
And the shrubs and the hedges
Which lend them their aid
For they never would bloom
Without having their shade.
Kind nature has given us,
A large share of her gifts,
And the beauties of nature
One's mind ever lifts
To a state more sublime
And a feeling more grand
Than those which unfold to us
By means of man—hand,
Man could not expect it,
Not being as wise
As the One who made nature
And dwells in the skies.
But we'll have all of that,
We have buildings quite neat,
If you do not believe it
Just pass down main street
And sup out four houses
There's few can compete
In his new brick store
Mr. Hagerman stands
Behind the broad counter
A waving his hand
Crying ladies and gentlemen
Come here for dye
For paint and for brushes,
And powder for bugs,
We'll sell them all cheaper
But just as he cry
Seems to echo away
And the faintest sound die
Just two blocks away
We hear a loud voice
Crying, here are fine things,
Just please take your choice
Bessie my dear friend,
We've a fine notion store,
And crockery and hardware
Which you may explore,
To know what we
I placed hand to my ear,
And the sweet gentle voice
Of Mitchell did hear
Behind him stood Whitehead
Who seconded position,
And he said to the people
He may sell you notions
But give me a bank
Stocks, mortgages, notes,
And when I m in office
Just give me your votes,
And he winked hard at Pauler
Who stood against the wall
At Daniels' store,
Who, though not very tall,
Allows him a place
His fresh meat to keep,
And he cries to the people
I sell my meat cheap
And the Worth of your money
I'm sure you will see
But if at times it is tough,
I hope you'll not'ice
Just here Alex Parks
Set up a loud cry
I advise you, my friends,
To come here meat to buy
It never is tough,
Though sometimes 'tis fat
But why should you make
Such a fuss about that
As the people stood wondering
What they should do,
A boy came along
And told at them threw,
Upon which were written
In letters of gold,
Tom Hanna are the best shoes
That ever were sold.
Nice calf skins for ladies
And cow hides for men
And fine kids for children
Whether Lizzie or Ben,
We sell them the cheapest
But just as he cry
Seems to echo away,
And the faintest sound die
But what now, pray tell
Right over the way
Shoes are not very dear,
We've also fine clocks
Of a musical tone,
Both expensive and cheap,
Which keep very good time
And rings, chains and watches
Of pure solid gold,
They rank mong of the best
In the land, that are sold
But if now and then
A dress ring is thrown in,
I hope you dear people
Will think it no sin
You ask me the name
Of the people that run
This store in all dealings,
'Tis Peabody and Son'
If the need of a bridle
Or harness, you feel
In a store next to this,
You will find Ed. O'Neal,
He will sell you combs, brushes,
And whips very nice
All of which can be bought
At a very low price.
We have barber shops too
Where a shave we can get,
And on rainy days hosiers
Get out of the wet
Unless Toms and Hoffman,
The proprietors neat,
Take a notion to send them
Out into the street.
We've as many milliner shops
As cargo some lawyers
Furman's and Alys', Carter's and Sawyer's
They also sell t bloom
And silks very fine
To make pretty handwork
Of every design.
If you're wishing a hat
For summer or fall,
Just go to each one and
Give them a call.
If one does not suit you
The other sure will
But take my advice
And pay up the bill.
Twill keep them good natured
Which is surely a blessing.
And will do more towards peace
Than love and caressing.
Mrs. Smith has a bake shop
Where nice bread is sold,
And mince-pies and cookies
Of a very fine brand,
Dates, bananas and candy,
Fruits, Permits and corn.
She sells in the evening
As well as the morn.
Our dry goods shops, three
Are not very small,
Kept by Frank Blakeslee,
Poppleton and Vol,
They are all very kind
And very polite,
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There's a lady in sight,
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STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, } of the probate court for said county of Oakland, held at the probate office, in the city of Pontiac, on the 31st day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety. Present, Thomas L. Patterson, judge of probate. In the matter of the estate of Amy Jenks, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of William Jenks, praying for the probate of an instrument in writing, heretofore filed in this court, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased.

It is ordered that Monday, the 30th day of June next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be appointed for proving said instrument, and it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said time of hearing in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

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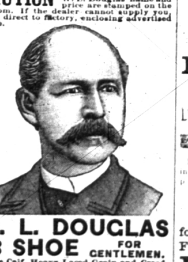

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