

First Trumpet sounds again a classic flourish.

First Knight loquitur.

You've your Dictionary makers, giving words the sounds most fit,
Prove me wrong by any one of them and then I'll own I'm hit :
Bring out your big "Imperial" and I'll abide by *that* :
But I'll be—— well, say "tridented" before I bow to *Pat*.

Second Trumpet sounds again, a Celtic flourish.

Second Knight loquitur.

When the Greeks to that Isle in the Hebrides came,
Of course they inquired of a native its name ;
And the native of native intelligence full
As certainly answering by telling them "Thul ;"
But as this was a name that no Grecians would speak,
They added an Eta, and so made it Greek.

And thus I have proved in my logical verse,
That "Thul" is the right name in orthodox Erse,
(Tho' the Greeks and the Romans dealt with it unduly,
And by adding a letter transformed it to Thulò ;)
And Britannia's not wrong when she followeth Pat, in
His pronunciation tho' not Greek or Latin.

First Knight challenges in heroic verse—

I burn to meet thee on the Imperial field,
And throw my gauntlet down, and touch thy shield.

*They run a course without serious damage to either : and a Queen
of Beauty is appointed to Crown the victor : The Lists remaining open—*

A Pundit appears on the field.

*An aged Pundit passing by
And seeing Knights thus valiantly
Engaged in Arms, did thus discourse :*

Such a Pundit as I am can see very clear
That to rightly pronounce the queer word we have here,
To the Court of Analogy appeal must be made,
And judgment when given be strictly obeyed.