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#### SPRING ODES.

#### BY FRED WALLIS.

We have had 'em, we have got 'em, and we don't want any more; They have overshot the table, and are lying on the floor; We shall never, never print 'em, for we can't afford the type; But they may be very useful when we want to light our pipe. They have come from London garrets, and from garrets o'er the seas; And of course they treat of Nature, of the birds, and of the trees; There is nothing new about 'em but the paper and the ink, For the theme is more a chestnut than the poets seem to think; And the postman's getting grumpy at the extra heavy loads That he has to carry daily all because of sweet Spring Odes.

They have come in shape of sonnets, villanelles and virelays, In the very Frenchy ballades, and in elegies like Gray's;
They are even marked "for payment," which we think is pretty stiff,
Since they only come in useful when we feel to want a whiff. There is one—a perfect beauty—cast in verse of blankest form, And about the length of "Hamlet," on the weather getting warm; There's another—but to business; we are now prepared to pay. Not the poet, but the dustman, if he'll clear the lot away; Or there'll be the conflagration that their presence here forebodes, Which we would not have upon us for the best of sweet Sprnig Odes!

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