THE JUNGLE

STAFF

THE 'DENOUMENT'

Upon a lovely day in May
Without a sound of warning,
Frank went forth to Charlottetown
Quite early in the morning.
Opinions once did vary great.
At length we did discover
That Frank went there to bid adieu
To his fair, parting, lover.

From Montague this fair one hailed. She was a clever lass, And in such cases never failed To let such chances pass. She had another charming lad We will not say his name, But in the love of those so fair He s always had much fame.

Now when the time of parting came, She had a plan devised To show the vanity of love, Poor Frank she'd ill advised; She told him that she had a box Whose contents were quite rare, She begged him take it to the cars And handle it with care.

Frank now was on his errand bent He thought the parcel light, At once he heard a fearful noise, Which made him shake with fright; He did not know from whence it came, Yet stopped with terror smitten. He opened up the box at length, And found "A Little Kitten."

THE POST-GRADUATE.

There's naught but care for every one Who on life's journey start, So with this view did Finol come To ne'er again depart. Though like a criminal in his cell He rooms on corridor two, Tradition will forever tell His enemies are few.

He hails from Venezuela fine, Where falls not any snow; Where summer sun does always shine And sultry breezes blow. He brings the customs of the south To ornament our minds. Now may he stay right here and rest Till he his soul resigns.

His date of entry to this place
Is in obscurity;
It is beyond our power to trace
To such antiquity;
Yet, Father Joe gives ample proof,
And he's supposed to know,
That Reuben came beneath this roof
Some twenty years ago.

O minstrel harp long may you live
To sing your lively strains
When weary you do pleasure give
And ease from all our pains;
Upon the stage you've showed your worth,
Long live your great renown,
And may the trials of this earth
Ne'er on your pleasures frown.

ADVICE

Dear students if you want advice Just listen to my story, I think it is the thing precise To show wherein lies glory. No man had such a bright career In happy days gone by, I thought the girls loved me sincere, And they in turn did I.

Their siren voice made me rejoice, I loved to hear them speak, Their face when lit up with a smile Was the greatest joy to seek.

But lo! those happy days are gone, My love it was in vain, For I have lost what I had won, Which causes me much pain.

Oft to a fisher's cot I went, I thought it's inmates charming, But all that friendship now is rent, My anguish was alarming.

Fair Adeline deserted me, Her little sister too, Which leaves me now in grief to see That I am left with few.

Now students you can see what strife Is connected with my story, I'll advise you thus to a single life, For in that alone lies glory.

FINLAY'S LAMENT ON THE APPROACH OF SPRING.

Now Nature paints her fringe of green Around our Island shore;
And fills the robin's throat at e'en With songs he sang of yore.
Now limpid run the waters bright Reflected there the skies,
But naught can glad the weary wight That in St. Dunstan's lies.

Now buttercups and violets bloom
And dandelions of gold;
Now corn peeps up and trees resume
To ope each leafy fold.

Now "bunnie" dons his coat of brown
The squirrel leaps on high,
But I must be with care cast down
And ne'er-relieving sigh.

Now sing the birds sweet songs at morn And herds sham battles fight; But I maun be a soul forlorn Give way to Fisher's right.
All day lambs gambol o'er the lea Then nestle down to rest,
And Adeline from care can be As free and unopprest.

Thou wert my Queen my Adeline
My soul's delight to see
For thee I trampt through rain and shine
But naught avails to me.
Why should I then with spring be glad?
And mock my aching heart?
The thought within me drives me mad
"We must forever part."

O, Summer come! Give other scenes
A while to sooth my pain;
I'll seek to calm on the Magdalenes
The storm that racks my brain.
And there I'll wait till Autumn beams
Make leaves turn pale and fall,
Then come and pore o'er Lorti's themes
Behind the college wall.

There will I pass the dreary day
And still more dreary night;
I cannot tune my muses' lay
So sorry is my plight.
But still I beg a gift from thee
A gift almost divine
That thou would'st sometimes think of me
My lov'd! my Adeline!

Note: Written in the spring of 1916 but still fresh in the poet's mind.