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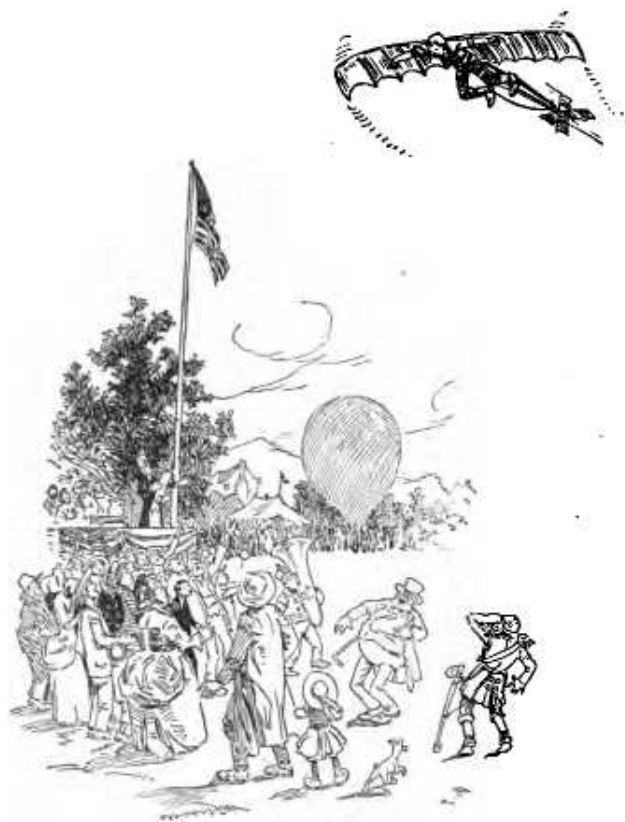
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## FOREWORD

This poem, written more than forty years ago, is now published for the first time in book form, with illustrations by Wallace Goldsmith.

The present intense and widespread interest in aviation promises a ready audience among the new generation for Mr. Trowbridge's very amusing account of the first American flying-machine. This poem immediately attained popularity on its first appearance and has been recited and read in public from one end of the country to the other. Its hero was a youth born ahead of his time.

"Darius was clearly of the opinion,  
That the air is also man's dominion,  
And that, with paddle or fin or pinion,  
We soon or late  
Shall navigate  
The azure as now we sail the sea."

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When Mr. Trowbridge wrote the poem he little dreamed that he himself would ever see men fly successfully. Yet from his description of this flying-machine and in Mr. Goldsmith's clever drawings we see an embryonic monoplane, which is not unlike Mr. Grahame-White's Bleriot. The greatest difference is in the result, for with Darius

"Wal, I like flyin' well enough,"  
He said; "but the' ain't sich a thunderin' sight  
O' fun in't when ye come to light."

R. L. S.

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