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## DOUBLE ACROSTICS

"Ex fumo dare lucem"

*Second Edition with Additions*



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PICKERING AND CO.

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### PREFACE.



**I**N this far advanced age of cramming  
and spelling,  
Of female M.D.'s with their "rights"  
for a theme,  
We must rub up our knowledge, or  
else there's no telling  
What *degree* we may take in the social esteem.

So Geography, History, Grammar, and Rhyme,  
Sense, Nonsense, and Wit must be brought into play;  
Without regard either to place or to time,  
Or even to what learned critics may say.

Then a choice little coterie thought they would try  
To couple amusement with learned research;



And sitting together, they let their thoughts fly  
Till they hit on a subject on which they might perch.

The result of their evenings we now send abroad,  
In the shape of a volume we hope you will read ;  
The sense of approval our only reward,  
The assurance of pleasing, all the thanks that we  
need.

A. A. R.





I.



BARD renown'd in Greece's early  
days ;

Brothers, to whom he gives unequal  
praise ;

The initials give the wondrous poet's  
name ;

The finals, e'en, display the brothers twain.

1. The microscopic picture of a world ;
2. Whom, when abandon'd, Love to ruin hurl'd.
3. A fragrant plant in cottage gardens prized.
4. Who yields to me deserves to be despised.
5. In former times by me were rustics school'd.
6. A Jewish Prince who ne'er o'er Judah ruled.
7. Blind and afflicted, long years this monarch reigns.
8. A warrior's son, he flies fair Sweden's plains.

9. Squirrels and monkeys oft on me will dine.
10. Not the least famous of the Sisters Nine.
11. Active and strong, I rush along the line.

H. K.

## II.

## INITIALS AND FINALS THE SAME.



TARVING, with you I'd gladly share it.  
 Wand'ring, yourself would have to  
 bear it.  
 Gladly my ears I'd lose to serve you.  
 Sadly, my feet would then preserve  
 you!

1. Offspring of plant with slender stem,  
 I clothe with pure and spotless grace,  
 When deck'd with frill and lace and hem,  
 The infants of the Royal race.
2. Rowland, O don't, O don't deceive me,  
 Thou advertisest to relieve me ;  
 My tooth ! the pain is quite terrific,  
 Cure it, I pray, with thy specific.