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BY A GRANDFATHER OLD ENOUGH TO KNOW BETTER







The zany in the market-place Must play his rôle, forsooth, In wild grimace distort his face, With caper most uncouth;

Though under all an aching heart The wretched man may bear; His tawdry art there in the mart May play in stark despair.

So when herein the fool I play, Deep under lies the pain. Not to be gay, but that I may For woe some pittance gain.