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MISCELLANEOUS.

BLANCHE.

A large, ornate, black and white decorative initial letter 'B' is positioned on the left side of the page. It features intricate scrollwork and floral patterns. The letter 'B' is the first letter of the first stanza of the poem.

BLANCHE sate by her open casement,
Humming an air as she spinn'd ;
Ever and oft the burden came,
Borne on the Summer's wind.

'Twas an olden ditty she sang,
She had caught from lips long dead—
Lips now attuned to other songs—
"To other songs," she said.

Round and round her spinning-wheel flew,
Swiftly the long silken thread
Dropped from her ivory fingers—
"An endless task!" she said.