

**A Criticism.**

Song-writers of the present day  
Are not at all inspired,  
Most of their songs, I'm grieved to say,  
Would really "make you tired."

Just take such songs as "Home Sweet Home,"  
"Way Down the Swanea River,"  
Compare them with "A Hot Time,"  
And I'm sure 'twill make you shiver.

If any song of recent date  
Is better than another,  
I'm sure I may with fairness state,  
It's "Break the News to Mother."

I'm sure with me you must agree  
The man was pretty looney,  
Who wasted paper, time and ink  
In writing "Annie Rooney."

"My Old Kentucky Home," is fair,  
And just a bit pathetic ;  
While "Razors Flying Through the Air,"  
Would act as an emetic.

Among the love songs none can tell  
The old and tender story  
Of Cupid's ways like "Kitty Well"  
And bonnie "Annie Laurie."

The last I'll mention in this lot  
Is strictly "on the bum,"  
I never heard such foolish rot  
As Zizee-ze-zum-zam-zum.

Now while I don't pretend to be  
A critic nor a poet ;  
I know what's good from what is bad,  
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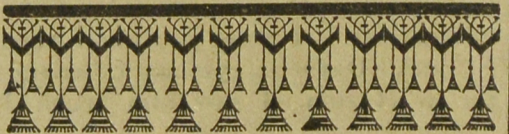
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