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"Lancaster lyrics, a cheerful volume of popular poems"

LANCASTER

L-Y-R-I-C-S

THE CIRCLE IN THE vS 12 U A R E

Hub of Lanc'ster centers, fair.  
In the circle, at its vSquare :  
And the daih' scenes of life  
Swell its bus\' waves of strife;  
Team and trolley moving- 'round,  
At four angles, e'er are found ;  
Auto cars and business vans  
Vie to bar its crowded spans ;  
Walking youth and waltzing maid  
Skip the Square at evening shade ;  
While the circle claims full share  
Of earnest folk, on its vSquare.

May great markets good things show.  
To add fine store, with true glow ;  
May the masses bless fair place  
Which tall soldier-shaft doth grace ;  
May each Lancasterian pray'r  
Lift up Circle in the Square I

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LANCASTER L-Y-R-I-C-S

A Cheerful Volume OF Popular P o e m s

DAVID BACHMAN LANDIS

Copiously Illustrated FROM THE Author's Photographs

Mv Land, of limpid streams,

Swiss heights, grand slopes:

Thy Band loves toil, 'mid dreams  
Bliss flights and hopes I

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Old Feagleyville

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RED ROSE CITY LIFE

OLD FEAGLEYVILLE

DESCRIPTIVE

Old Feagleyville, the end of jokes !

In north-west part of Prince Street place,  
The humble homes of working folks

Enthrall this spot of colored race.

Its patch-work huts of single story,  
And slanting roofs of tin and tar,

E'er were - still are - the village glory  
To give it fame, anear, afar !

The crooked walks and rubbish piles  
Of Feagleyville were in their prime

Awhile ago, when their own styles  
Lent aid to life or wretched crime.

Gray Grannies sat, at open door.

With corn-cob pipes in clouds of smoke ;

And neighbors oft stood near to pour  
Their tales abroad, about fast folk.

Some years ago, while on a jaunt  
Thro' Lancaster at northern end,

The writer met, near Feagley haunt.  
An octogenic " dusky friend."

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His happy face fill'd with delight  
As he look'd o'er my photo views -

And this is how he told aright  
A tale of "colored" village news:

fegl'vill' chu'ch

W'y dat 's ole Fegl'vill's hi' chu'ch 1

De pictur 's gran', 'deed, Meestah Pluck!

Oh, yas ; I kno's yu - yer post ca'ds t'uch  
Ma h'at jis' a-bit lik' big Lo'd's book.

Fine Fegl'vill' chu'ch ! See it ob' dah !

It mak's me t'ink ob de preachas  
I h'ard a-driben' de debil awa'

B'low Dixie 'mong Su'dern teachas.

Let 's see de oder print yu hab'

Ob Fegl'vill' chu'ch - It 's de ole spot

Shuah's you lib' ! - I cu'd jis' grab  
Dat picter, fo' it mak's me hot.

Dat chu'ch, Meesta' Pluck, cotch'd de coons-  
Fo' yeahs dey jes' had ter lis'en ;

An' Brud'er Jones jawed de spoons  
He co't in de co'nahs a-kissin'.

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Wat else tuk place, at mo'nah's bench?

De sistahs, shuah, kin alwus tell ;  
De Lawd was good ter eb'ry wench

An' sab'd dere so'ls frum fu'nace-hell.

Yu wants ter know how brudders did,  
Wen Pasto' Jones hit dere brack bones?

Wifout much mu'cy, he jis' slid

Right down so ha'wd dat dey all gro'ns !

Huh, ha ! it jis' helps ma feel young -  
An' dat helps de ole fo'kses, tew, -

Ter heah de hym's Fegl'vill' sung  
At ebenin' sarvice in each pew.

I say ut now, ma plucky fren',

Jis' show dem prints tu people, w'ite.  
An' tell 'em den Fegl'vill's en'  
■ Is boun' tu bring de brack 'roun' right I

#### PROSPECTIVE

The quaint box-tower'd house of praise,  
For shaded saints at Feagleyville,  
  
Stands 'cross the street; and, by its gaze,  
A busy bake-plant plies great skill.

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The happy homes, at former shrines,  
Are giving way to wealthy need.

And Feagleyville must pay its fines  
To business method's growing speed.

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