

OMNISCENCE

There's only twelve people on earth, so they say,
Who understand Einstein; but that isn't true.
Twelve get him, perhaps, in a "relative way,"
But full comprehension is given but two;
The deep inner meaning, the secret, the key,
Is known but to Einstein, to Einstein and Me.

By Einstein's great theory all things are clear;
The tariff, domestic and foreign relations,
The weather we get all this time of the year,
But, due to the average mind's limitations,
The answers are known in their en-tir-et-ee
To no one but Einstein—but Einstein and Me.

Such questions as, "Why don't the taxes go down?"
And "Why do the prices stay stubbornly high?"
And "Where is a flat to be rented in town?"
And "When will America really go dry?"
And "Where can I get it?" Such questions can be
Solved only by Einstein, by Einstein and Me!

We've settled all problems, we've doped them all out,
In seven dimensions or maybe it's eight;
When Einstein has found himself somewhat in doubt
He's asked my opinion and I've set him straight;
But what our conclusions are, ever will be
A secret 'twixt Einstein—'twixt Einstein and Me!

IF I SHOULD DIE TONIGHT

If I should die tonight
And you should come to my cold corpse and say
Weeping and heartsick o'er my lifeless clay—
If I should die tonight,
And you should come in deepest grief and woe—
And say: "Here's that ten dollars that I owe,"
I might arise in my large white cravat
And say, "What's that?"

If I should die tonight
And you should come to my cold corpse and kneel,
Ciasping my bier to show the grief you feel,
I say, if I should die tonight
And you should come to me, and there and then
Just even hint 'bout payin' me that ten,
I might arise the while
But I'd drop dead again.