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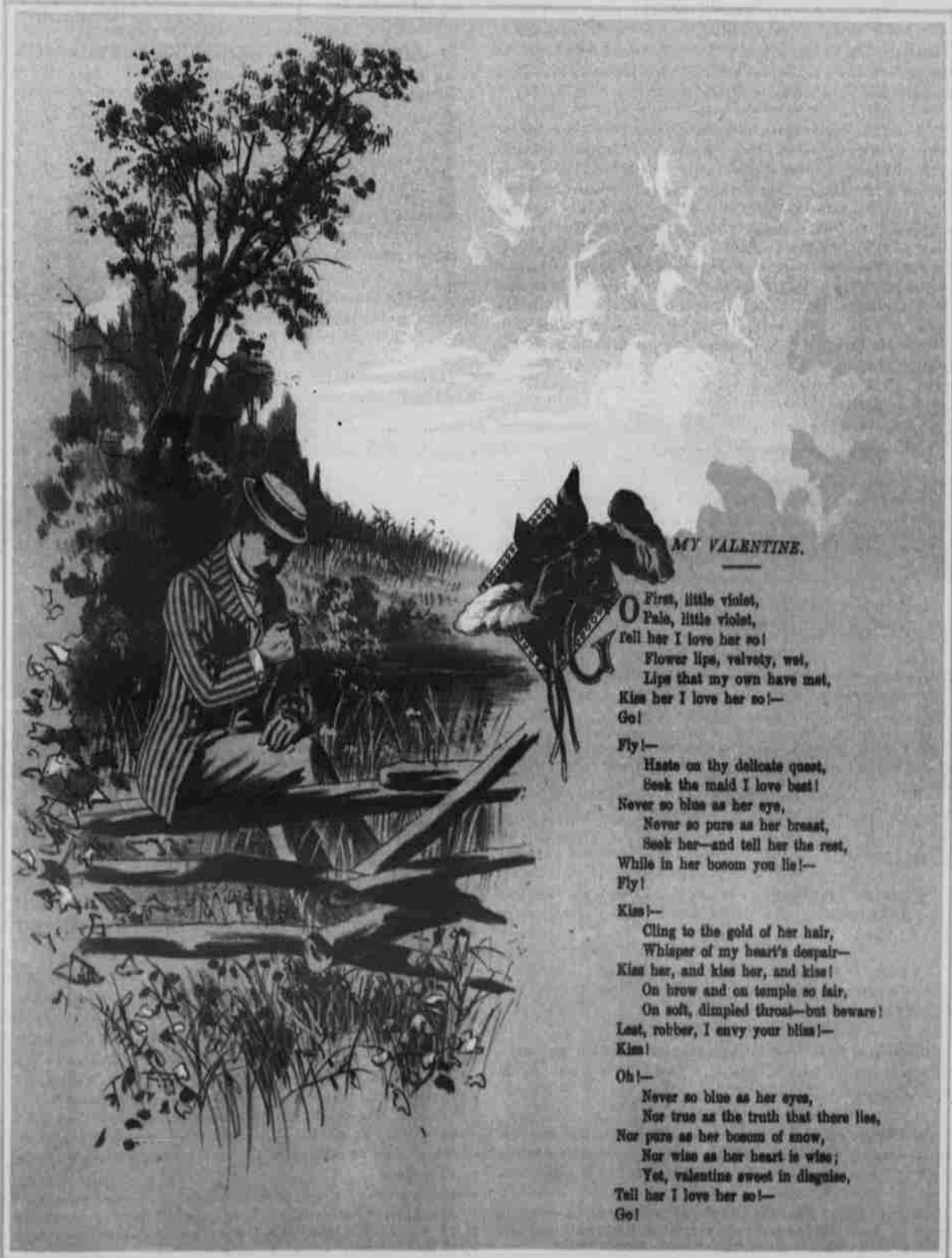
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## MY VALENTINE.

O First, little violet,  
 Pale, little violet,  
 Tell her I love her so!  
 Flower lips, velvety, wet,  
 Lips that my own have met,  
 Kiss her I love her so!—  
 Go!

Fly!—  
 Haste on thy delicate quest,  
 Seek the maid I love best!  
 Never so blue as her eye,  
 Never so pure as her breast,  
 Seek her—and tell her the rest,  
 While in her bosom you lie!—  
 Fly!

Kiss!—  
 Cling to the gold of her hair,  
 Whisper of my heart's despair—  
 Kiss her, and kiss her, and kiss!  
 On brow and on temple so fair,  
 On soft, dimpled throat—but beware!  
 Lo! robber, I envy your bliss!—  
 Kiss!

Oh!—  
 Never so blue as her eyes,  
 Nor true as the truth that there lies,  
 Nor pure as her bosom of snow,  
 Nor wise as her heart is wise;  
 Yet, valentine sweet in disguise,  
 Tell her I love her so!—  
 Go!

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