

A DANDELION.

O, golden heart a-gleaming in the grass
On a fair morn' o' May,
I stoop to touch you softly as I pass
Along the common way.

THE CHURCH MILITANT.

BY BARRY PAIN.

As I passed the vicarage, I thought
that it looked a likely place. I walked
on a few yards, and then it seemed
to me a pity not to see if the place was
as good as it looked.

As I have said, I saw that it was all
up, and I couldn't make it any worse.
I was a good deal disappointed, and I
had been roughly handled, and alto-
gether I was not in the sweetest temper.

to treat a chap like me. I came here to
crack this crib, you fairly get me, and
no word about the police—never a
word.

made my way back a good deal quicker
than I had come. The sun shone and
the birds sang, and you could see we
were in for a rare fine day.

HOUSE-CLEANING TACTICS.
Hints for Meeting the Annual Trial with
Comparative Ease.
According to a long-established tra-
dition, house-cleaning is imperfectly
done if comfort is permitted a foot-
hold in the house during the period
of cleaning.