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Lewis Carroll

Carroll, Lewis (pen name of Charles Lutwidge Dodgson) (1832-1898) - English novelist, poet, photographer, and mathematician, best known for his fantastical childrens' classics. He was a mathematical lecturer at Oxford. Madrigal (1877) - One of Lewis Carroll's poems. Opening lines: He shouts amain, he shouts again, / (Her brother, fierce, as bluff King Hal),...

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(To Miss May Forshall.) HE shouts amain, he shouts again, (Her brother, fierce, as bluff King Hal), "I tell you flat, I shall do that!" She softly whispers "'May' for 'shall'!"

He wistful sighed one eventide (Her friend, that made this Madrigal), "And shall I kiss you, pretty Miss!" Smiling she answered "'May' for 'shall'!"

With eager eyes my reader cries, "Your friend must be indeed a val-uable child, so sweet, so mild!

What do you call her?" "May For shall."

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