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Ah Will, love's the Times' fool, and not above
The tempest. Love can change to suit a fan-
cy. Daily men divorce and alter love
To suit a present whim for other Fan-
nies. Weekly women change from present mouse
To rat on smallest pretext: squeals too high
Or is too white. In eighty-four a spouse
Will do until the moon evoke a sigh
For other eyes. Then love flickers, a lan-
tern in the wind. And William, we admit
Impediments to marriage: money, man,
Is now a bark to many a marriage ship;
Some weddings vows are stopped by ADC;
Some vows are said, but never meant to be.

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