

## **FOOLISH, FATHER**

Taught how to write, he never wrote  
No novelist — more lamb than goat —  
Was Trollope's son. He took, poor fella,  
Trained by Trollope to write a novella,

To sheep-grazing. Just why, Lord knows!  
Was it his father's woolly prose?  
Fixations father Fixed Ideas.  
Bah! There are no panaceas.

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