

The
Language
of
Flowers

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“Any man that walks the mead,
In bird, or bloom, may find—
According as his humours lead—
A meaning suited to his mind.”

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IN Eastern lands they talk in flowers,
And they tell in a garland their loves and cares:
Each blossom that blooms in their garden bowers,
On its leaves a mystic language bears.

The Rose is a sign of joy and love,
Young blushing love in its earliest dawn;
And the mildness that suits the gentle dove,
From the Myrtle's snowy flower is drawn.

Innocence shines in the Lily's bell,
Pure as the heart in its native heaven;
Fame's bright star and glory's swell,
In the glossy leaf of the Bay are given.

The silent, soft, and humble heart,
In the Violet's hidden sweetness breathes;
And the tender soul that cannot part,
A twine of Evergreen fondly wreathes.

The Cypress that daily shades the grave,
Is sorrow that mourns her bitter lot;
And faith, that a thousand ills can brave,
Speaks in thy blue leaves, Forget-me-not.

Then gather a wreath from the garden bowers,
And tell the wish of thy heart in flowers.

Perceval

“How charming in some rural spot,
 Combining *love* with *garden* plot,
 At once to cultivate one's flowers,
 And one's epistolary powers,
 Growing one's own choice words and fancies
 In orange-tubs and beds of pansies.”

Leigh Hunt.

A BECEDARY	-	<i>Volubility.</i>	Anemone (Zephyr Flower.)	<i>Sickness. Expectation.</i>
Abatina	-	<i>Fickleness.</i>	Anemone (Garden)	<i>Forsaken.</i>
Acacia	-	<i>Friendship.</i>	Angelica	<i>Inspiration. Magic</i>
Acacia, White or Rose.	-	<i>Elegance.</i>	Apricot Blossom	<i>Doubt.</i>
Acacia, Yellow	-	<i>Secret Love.</i>	Apple	<i>Temptation.</i>
Acanthus	-	<i>Fine Arts. Artifice.</i>	Apple Blossom	<i>Preference. Fame speaks him great and good.</i>
Acalia	-	<i>Temperance.</i>	Apple, Thorn	<i>Deceitful charms.</i>
Achillea Millefolia	-	<i>War.</i>	Arbor Vitæ	<i>Unchanging friendship. Live for me.</i>
Aconite (Wolfsbane)	-	<i>Misanthropy.</i>	Arbutus	<i>Thee only do I love.</i>
Aconite, Crowfoot	-	<i>Lustre.</i>	Arum (Wake Robin)	<i>Ardor. Zeal.</i>
Adonis, Flos	-	<i>Sad memories.</i>	Ash-leaved Trumpet Flower	<i>Separation.</i>
African Marigold	-	<i>Vulgar minds.</i>	Ash, Mountain	<i>Prudence, or With me you are safe.</i>
Agnus Castus	-	<i>Indifference.</i>	Ash Tree	<i>Grandeur.</i>
Agrimony	-	<i>Thankfulness. Gratitude.</i>	Aspen Tree	<i>Lamentation. Fear</i>
Almond, Common	-	<i>Indiscretion.</i>	Aster (China)	<i>Variety. Afterthought.</i>
Almond, Flowering	-	<i>Hope.</i>	Asphodel	<i>My regrets follow you to the grave.</i>
Almond, Laurel	-	<i>Perfidy.</i>	Auricula	<i>Painting.</i>
Allspice	-	<i>Compassion.</i>	Auricula, Scarlet	<i>Avarice.</i>
Aloe	-	<i>Grief. Bitterness.</i>	Austurtium	<i>Splendour.</i>
Althæa Frutex (Syrian Mallow).	-	<i>Persuasion.</i>	Autumnal Leaves	<i>Melancholy.</i>
Alyssum, Sweet	-	<i>Worth beyond beauty.</i>	Azalea	<i>Temperance.</i>
Amaranth, Globe	-	<i>Immortality. Unfading love.</i>	Azaleas flush the island floors, And the tints of heaven reply.	<i>Emerson.</i>
Amaranth (Cockscomb)	-	<i>Foppery. Affectation.</i>		
Amaryllis	-	<i>Pride. Timidity. Splendid beauty.</i>	B ACHELOR'S	<i>Celibacy.</i>
Ambrosia	-	<i>Love returned.</i>	Button	
American Cowslip	-	<i>Divine beauty.</i>	Balm	<i>Sympathy.</i>
American Elm	-	<i>Patriotism.</i>	Balm, Gentle	<i>Pleasantry.</i>
American Linden	-	<i>Matrimony.</i>	Balm of Gilead	<i>Cure. Relief.</i>
American Starwort	-	<i>Welcome to a stranger. Cheerfulness in old age.</i>	Balsam, Red	<i>Touch me not. Impatient resolves.</i>
Amethyst	-	<i>Admiration</i>		
Andromeda	-	<i>Self-sacrifice</i>		

Champignon - -	<i>Suspicion.</i>	Columbine - -	<i>Folly.</i>
Chequered Fritillary.	<i>Persecution.</i>	Columbine, Purple -	<i>Resolved to win.</i>
Cherry Tree, White-	<i>Good education.</i>	Columbine, Red -	<i>Anxious and trembling.</i>
Cherry Blossom -	<i>Insincerity.</i>	Convolvulus - -	<i>Bonds.</i>
Chestnut Tree -	<i>Do me justice.</i>	Convolvulus, Blue -	<i>Repose. Night.</i>
Chinese Primrose -	<i>Lasting love.</i>	Convolvulus, Major	<i>Extinguished hopes.</i>
Chickweed - -	<i>Rendezvous.</i>	Convolvulus, Pink -	<i>Worth sustained by judicious and tender affection.</i>
Chicory - - -	<i>Frugality.</i>	Corchorus - - -	<i>Impatient of absence.</i>
China Aster - -	<i>Variety.</i>	Coreopsis - - -	<i>Always cheerful.</i>
China Aster, Double.	<i>I partake your sentiments.</i>	Coreopsis Arkansa -	<i>Love at first sight.</i>
China Aster, Single-	<i>I will think of it.</i>	Coriander - - -	<i>Hidden worth.</i>
China or Indian Pink.	<i>Aversion.</i>	Corn - - - -	<i>Riches.</i>
China Rose - - -	<i>Beauty always new</i>	Corn, Broken - - -	<i>Quarrel.</i>
Chinese Chrysanthemum.	<i>Cheerfulness under adversity.</i>	Corn Straw - - -	<i>Agreement.</i>
Chorozema Varium-	<i>You have many lovers.</i>	Corn Bottle - - -	<i>Delicacy.</i>
Christmas Rose -	<i>Relieve my anxiety</i>	Corn Cockle - - -	<i>Gentility.</i>
Chrysanthemum Red.	<i>I love</i>	Cornflower - - -	<i>Delicacy.</i>
Chrysanthemum White.	<i>Truth.</i>	Cornel Tree - - -	<i>Duration.</i>
Chrysanthemum Yellow.	<i>Slighted love.</i>	Coronella - - -	<i>Success crown your wishes.</i>
Cineraria - - -	<i>Always delightful.</i>	Cosmelia Subra -	<i>The charm of a blush.</i>
Cinquefoil - - -	<i>Maternal affection</i>	Cowslip - - - -	<i>Pensiveness. Winning grace. Youthful beauty.</i>
Circaea - - - -	<i>Spell.</i>	Cowslip, American -	<i>Divine beauty.</i>
Cistus, or Rock Rose-	<i>Popular favor.</i>	Crab (Blossom) -	<i>Ill nature.</i>
Cistus, Gum - - -	<i>I shall die tomorrow.</i>	Cranberry - - - -	<i>Cure for heartache.</i>
Citron - - - - -	<i>Ill-natured beauty.</i>	Creeping Cereus -	<i>Horror.</i>
Clarkia - - - - -	<i>The variety of your conversation delights me.</i>	Cress - - - - -	<i>Stability. Power.</i>
Clematis - - - -	<i>Mental Beauty. Artifice.</i>	Crocus - - - - -	<i>Impatience.</i>
Clematis, Evergreen.	<i>Poverty.</i>	Crocus, Spring -	<i>Youthful gladness.</i>
Clianthus - - - -	<i>Worldliness, Self-seeking.</i>	Crocus, Saffron -	<i>Mirth. Cheerfulness.</i>
Clotbur - - - - -	<i>Rudeness.</i>	Crown, Imperial -	<i>Majesty. Power.</i>
Cloves - - - - -	<i>Dignity.</i>	Crowsbill - - - -	<i>Envy.</i>
Clover, Four-leaved-	<i>Be mine.</i>	Crowfoot - - - -	<i>Ingratitude.</i>
Clover, Red - - -	<i>Industry.</i>	Crowfoot (Aconite-lvd.)	<i>Lustre.</i>
Clover, White - -	<i>Think of me. Promise.</i>	Cuckoo Plant - - -	<i>Ardour.</i>
Cobæa - - - - -	<i>Gossip.</i>	Cudweed, American	<i>Unceasing remembrance.</i>
Cockscomb Amaranth -	<i>Foppery. Affectation. Singularity.</i>	Currant - - - - -	<i>Thy frown will kill me.</i>
Colchicum, or Meadow Saffron -	<i>My best days are past.</i>	Cuscuta - - - - -	<i>Meanness.</i>
Coltsfoot - - - -	<i>Justice shall be done.</i>	Cyclamen - - - -	<i>Diffidence.</i>
		Cypress - - - - -	<i>Death. Mourning.</i>

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 Cowslips all around her springing,
 Sweetly paint the golden vale.
 Shenstone.

DAFFODIL - - *Regard. Unrequited love.*
 Dahlia - - *Instability. Pomp.*
 Daisy - - *Innocence.*
 Daisy, Garden - - *I share your feelings.*
 Daisy, Michaelmas - *Farewell, or Afterthought.*
 Daisy, Parti-colored - *Beauty.*
 Daisy, Wild - - *I will think of it.*
 Damask Rose - - *Brilliant complexion.*
 Dandelion - - *Rustic oracle.*
 Dandelion, or Thistle seed-head. - *Depart.*
 Daphne - - *Glory. Immortality.*
 Daphne, Odora - - *Painting the lily.*
 Darnel - - *Vice.*
 Dead Leaves - - *Sadness.*
 Deadly Nightshade. - *Falsehood.*
 Dew Plant - - *A Serenade.*
 Dianthus - - *Make haste.*
 Diosma - - *Your simple elegance charms me*
 Dipteracanthus - *Fortitude.*
 Spectabilis.
 Diplademia Crassinoda. - *You are too bold.*
 Dittany of Crete - *Birth.*
 Dittany of Crete, White. - *Passion.*
 Dock - - *Patience.*
 Dodder of Thyme - *Baseness.*
 Dogsbane - - *Deceit. Falsehood.*
 Dogwood - - *Durability.*
 Dragon Plant - - *Snare.*
 Dragonwort - - *Horror.*
 Dried Flax - - *Utility.*

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 The Daisies' eyes are a-twinkle
 With happy tears of dew.
Fitz Hugh Ludlow.

EBONY TREE - *Blackness.*
 Echites Atropurpurea. - *Be warned in time.*
 Eglantine (Sweetbriar.) - *Poetry. I wound to heal.*
 Elder - - *Zealousness.*
 Elm - - *Dignity.*
 Enchanter's Nightshade. - *Witchcraft. Sorcery.*

Endive - - *Frugality.*
 Escholzia - - *Do not refuse me.*
 Eupatorium - - *Delay.*
 Evening Primrose - *Silent love.*
 Ever-flowing Candytuft. - *Indifference.*
 Evergreen Clematis - *Poverty.*
 Evergreen Thorn - *Solace in adversity.*
 Everlasting - - *Never-ceasing remembrance.*
 Everlasting Pea - *Lasting Pleasure.*

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 Sweet is the Eglantine, but
 pricketh nere.

Spenser.

FENNEL - - *Worthy all praise. Strength.*
 Fern - - *Fascination. Magic. Sincerity*
 Ficoides, Ice Plant - *Your looks freeze me*
 Fig - - *Argument.*
 Fig Marigold - - *Idleness.*
 Fig Tree - - *Prolific.*
 Filbert - - *Reconciliation.*
 Fir - - *Time.*
 Fir Tree - - *Elevation.*
 Flax - - *Domestic industry. Fate. I feel your kindness.*
 Flax-leaved Golden Tardiness.
 locks.
 Fleur-de-lys - - *Flame. I burn.*
 Fleur-de-Luce - - *Fire.*
 Flowering Fern - *Reverie.*
 Flowering Reed - *Confidence in heaven.*
 Flower-of-an-Hour - *Delicate beauty.*
 Fly Orchis - - *Error.*
 Flytrap - - *Deceit.*
 Fool's Parsley - *Silliness.*
 Forget-me-not - *Forget-me-not.*
 Foxglove - - *Insincerity.*
 Foxtail Grass - *Sporting.*
 Franciscea Latifoila - *Beware of false friends. Rustic beauty.*
 French Honey-suckle. - *Jealousy.*
 French Marigold - *Bravery and humanity.*
 French Willow - *Disgust.*
 Frog Ophrys - *Misanthropy.*
 Fuller's Teasel

Fumitory - - - *Spleen.*
 Fuchsia, Scarlet - - *Taste.*
 Furze, or Gorse - *Love for all seasons*
Anger.

The yellow Furze like fields of gold,
 That gladdens some fairy regions old.
Mary Howitt.

GARDEN Ane- - *Forsaken.*
 mone.
 Garden Chervil- *Sincerity.*
 Garden Daisy - - *I partake your*
sentiments.
 Garden Marigold - *Uneasiness.*
 Garden Ranun- - *You are rich in at-*
 culus. *traction.*
 Garden Sage - - *Esteem.*
 Garland of Roses - *Reward of virtue.*
 Gardenia - - - *Refinement.*
 Germander Speed- *Facility.*
 well.
 Geranium - - - *Deceit.*
 Geranium, Dark - *Melancholy.*
 Geranium, Horse- *Stupidity.*
 shoeleaf.
 Geranium, Ivy - *Bridal favor.*
 Geranium, Lemon - *Unexpected meet-*
ing.
 Geranium, Nutmeg *Expected meeting.*
 Geranium, Oak- - *True friendship.*
 leaved.
 Geranium, - - - *Ingenuity.*
 Penciled.
 Geranium, Rose- - *Preference.*
 scented.
 Geranium, Scarlet - *Comforting.*
 Geranium, Silver- *Recall.*
 leaved.
 Geranium, Wild - *Steadfast piety.*
 Gillyflower - - - *Bonds of affection.*
 Gladioli - - - *Ready armed.*
 Glory Flower - - *Glorious beauty.*
 Goat's Rue - - - *Reason.*
 Golden Rod - - - *Precaution.*
 Gooseberry - - - *Anticipation.*
 Gourd - - - *Extent. Bulk.*
 Grammanthus - *Your temper is too*
 Chloroforma. *hasty.*
 Grape, Wild - - - *Charity.*
 Grass - - - *Submission.*
Utility.
 Guelder Rose - - *Winter. Age.*

And wild Geranium blossoms drank
 Red sunsets that enriched their hue.
Author of Olrig Grange.

BAND Flower - *Warning.*
 Tree.
 Harebell - - - *Submission.*
Grief.
 Hawkweed - - - *Quick-sightedness.*
 Hawthorn - - - *Hope.*
 Hazel - - - *Reconciliation.*
 Heart's-ease, or - *Thoughts.*
 Pansy.
 Heath - - - *Solitude.*
 Helenium - - - *Tears.*
 Heliotrope - - - *Devotion, or I turn*
to thee.
 Hellebore - - - *Scandal. Calumny*
 Helmet Flower - *Knight-errantry*
 (Monkshood)
 Hemlock - - - *You will be my*
death.
 Hemp - - - *Fate.*
 Henbane - - - *Imperfection.*
 Hepatica - - - *Confidence.*
 Hibiscus - - - *Delicate beauty.*
 Holly - - - *Foresight.*
 Holly Herb - - - *Enchantment.*
 Hollyhock - - - *Ambition.*
Fecundity.
 Honesty - - - *Honesty. Fascina-*
tion.
 Honey Flower - - *Love sweet and*
secret.
 Honeysuckle - - *Generous and de-*
voted affection.
 Honeysuckle, Coral *The color of my fate*
 Honeysuckle, *Rustic beauty.*
 French.
 Hop - - - *Injustice.*
 Hornbean - - - *Ornament.*
 Horse Chestnut - *Luxury.*
 Hortensia - - - *You are cold.*
 Houseleek - - - *Vivacity. Domes-*
tic industry
 Houstonia - - - *Content.*
 Hoya - - - *Sculpture.*
 Hoyabella - - - *Contentment.*
 Humble Plant - - *Despondency.*
 Hundred-leaved *Dignity of mind.*
 Rose.
 Hyacinth - - - *Sport. Game. Play.*
 Hyacinth, Purple - *Sorrowful.*
 Hyacinth, White - *Unobtrusive loveli-*
ness.
 Hydrangea - - - *A boaster.*
 Hyssop - - - *Cleanliness.*

In the Hemlock's fragrant shadow,
 Harebells nod by the drowsy pool.
J. C. R. Dorr.

Lobelia - - - *Malevolence.*
 Locust Tree - - - *Elegance.*
 Locust Tree (green) *Affection beyond
 the grave.*
 London Pride - - - *Frivolity.*
 Lote Tree - - - *Concord.*
 Lotus - - - *Eloquence.*
 Lotus Flower - - - *Estranged love.*
 Lotus Leaf - - - *Recantation.*
 Love in a Mist - - - *Perplexity.*
 Love lies Bleeding - *Hopeless not Heart-
 less.*
 Lucern - - - *Life.*
 Lupin - - - *Voraciousness.*

The Lily is all in white, like a saint,
 And so is no mate for me. *Hood.*

Lily,
 A thing of beauty is a joy for ever :
 Its loveliness increases ; it will never
 Pass into nothingness, but still will

A bower quiet for us, and a sleep
 Full of sweet dreams, and health,
 and quiet breathing. *Keats.*

MADDER - - - *Calumny.*
 Magnolia - - - *Love of nature.
 Magnificence.*
 Magnolia, Swamp - *Perseverance.*
 Mallow - - - *Mildness.*
 Mallow, Marsh - - - *Beneficence.*
 Mallow, Syrian - - - *Consumed by love.*
 Mallow, Venetian - *Delicate beauty.*
 Malon Creeana - - - *Will you share my
 fortunes?*
 Manchineal Tree - *Falsehood.*
 Mandrake - - - *Horror.*
 Maple - - - *Reserve.*
 Marianthus - - - *Hope for better
 days.*
 Marigold - - - *Grief.*
 Marigold, African - *Vulgar minds.*
 Marigold, French - *Jealousy.*
 Marigold, Pro-
 phetic. - - - *Prediction.*
 Marigold and
 Cypress. - - - *Despair.*
 Marjoram - - - *Blushes.*
 Marvel of Peru - - - *Timidity.*
 Meadow Lychnis - *Wit.*
 Meadow Saffron - *My best days are
 past.*
 Meadowsweet - - - *Uselessness.*
 Mercury - - - *Goodness.*

Mesembryanthe- - - *Idleness.*
 mum.
 Mezereon - - - *Desire to please.*
 Michaelmas Daisy - *After-thought.*
 Mignonette - - - *Your qualities sur-
 pass your charms*
 Milfoil - - - *War.*
 Milkvetch - - - *Your presence soft-
 ens my pains.*
 Milkwort - - - *Hermitage.*
 Mimosa (Sensitive
 Plant.) - - - *Sensitiveness.*
 Mint - - - *Virtue.*
 Mistletoe - - - *I surmount diffi-
 culties.*
 Mitraria Coccinea - *Indolence. Dull-
 ness.*
 Mock Orange - - - *Counterfeit.*
 Monarda Amplexi-
 caulis. - - - *Your whims are
 quite unbearable.*
 Monkshood - - - *A deadly foe is
 near.*
 Monkshood - - - *Chivalry. Knight-
 errantry.*
 (Helmet Flower)
 Moonwort - - - *Forgetfulness.*
 Morning Glory - - - *Affection.*
 Moschatel - - - *Weakness.*
 Moss - - - *Maternal love.*
 Mosses - - - *Ennui.*
 Mossy Saxifrage - *Affection.*
 Motherwort - - - *Concealed love.*
 Mountain Ash - - - *Prudence.*
 Mourning Bride - *Unfortunate at-
 tachment. I have
 lost all.*
 Mouse eared Chick-
 weed - - - *Ingenuous simpli-
 city.*
 Mouse-eared
 Scorpion Grass. - *Forget me not.*
 Moving Plant - - - *Agitation.*
 Mudwort - - - *Happiness. Tran-
 quility.*
 Mulberry Tree,
 Black. - - - *I shall not survive
 you.*
 Mulberry Tree,
 White. - - - *Wisdom.*
 Mushroom - - - *Suspicion. I can't
 entirely trust you*
 Musk Plant - - - *Weakness.*
 Mustard Seed - - - *Indifference.*
 Myrobalan - - - *Privation.*
 Myrrh - - - *Gladness.*
 Myrtle - - - *Love.*

The lover with the Myrtle sprays,
 Adorns his crispéd tresses. *Drayton.*

NARCISSUS - - *Egotism.*
 Nasturtium - - *Patriotism.*
 Nemophila - - *Success everywhere*
 Nettle, Common - - *You are spiteful.*
 Stinging.
 Nettle Burning - - *Slander.*
 Nettle Tree - - *Conceit.*
 Night-blooming - - *Transient beauty.*
 Cereus.
 Night Convolvulus - *Night.*
 Nightshade - - *Falseness.*

Pale Narcissus, that in a well,
 Seeing his beauty in love with it fell.
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Spenser.

OAK Leaves - - *Bravery.*
 Oak Tree - - *Hospitality.*
 Oak, White - - *Independence.*
 Oats - - - - *The witching soul*
 of music.
 Oleander - - - - *Beware.*
 Olive - - - - *Peace.*
 Orange Blossoms - *Your purity equals*
 your loveliness.
 Orange Flowers - *Chastity. Bridal*
 festivities.
 Orange Tree - - *Generosity.*
 Orchis - - - - *A belle.*
 Osier - - - - *Frankness.*
 Osmunda - - - - *Dreams.*
 Ox Eye - - - - *Patience.*

PALM - - - - *Victory.*
 Pansy - - - - *Thoughts.*
 Parsley - - - - *Festivity.*
 Pasque Flower - - *You have no claims*
 Passion Flower - *Religious superstition when the*
 flower is reversed
Faith if erect.
 Patience Dock - - *Patience.*
 Pea, Everlasting - *An appointment.*
Lasting pleasure
 Pea, Sweet - - - - *Departure.*
 Peach - - - - *Your qualities, like*
 your charms, are
 unequalled.
 Peach Blossom - - *I am your captive.*
 Pear - - - - *Affection.*
 Pear Tree - - - - *Comfort.*
 Penstemon - - - - *High-bred.*
 Azureum.
 Pennyroyal - - - - *Flee-away.*
 Peony - - - - *Shame. Bashful-*
 ness.
 Peppermint - - - - *Warmth of feeling*

Periwinkle, Blue - *Early friendship.*
 Periwinkle, White - *Pleasures of mem-*
 ory.
 Persicaria - - - - *Restoration.*
 Persimon - - - - *Bury me amid Na-*
 ture's beauties.
 Peruvian Helio- - *Devotion.*
 trope.
 Petunia - - - - *Your presence*
 soothes me.
 Pheasant's Eye - *Remembrance.*
 Phlox - - - - *Unanimity.*
 Pigeon Berry - - *Indifference.*
 Pimpernel - - - - *Change. Assigna-*
 tion.
 Pine - - - - *Pity.*
 Pine-apple - - - - *You are perfect.*
 Pine, Pitch - - - - *Philosophy.*
 Pine, Spruce - - - *Hope in adversity.*
 Pink - - - - *Boldness.*
 Pink, Carnation - *Woman's love.*
 Pink, Indian, - *Always lovely.*
 Double.
 Pink, Indian, - *Aversion.*
 Single.
 Pink, Mountain - *Aspiring.*
 Pink, Red, Double *Pure and ardent*
 love.
 Pink, Single - - - *Pure love.*
 Pink, Variegated - *Refusal.*
 Pink, White - - - *Ingenuity Talent.*
 Plantain - - - - *White man's step.*
 Plane Tree - - - - *Genius.*
 Plum, Indian - - - *Privation.*
 Plum Tree - - - - *Fidelity.*
 Plum, Wild - - - - *Independence.*
 Plumbago Larpenta *Holy wishes.*
 Polyanthus - - - - *Pride of riches.*
 Polyanthus, - *The heart's*
 Crimson. *mystery.*
 Polyanthus, Lilac - *Confidence.*
 Pomegranate - - - *Foolishness.*
 Pomegranate - *Mature elegance.*
 Flower
 Poor Robin - - - - *Compensation, or*
 an equivalent.
 Poplar, Black - - - *Courage.*
 Poplar, White - - - *Time*
 Poppy, Red - - - - *Consolation.*
 Poppy, Scarlet - - *Fantastic extrava-*
 gance.
 Poppy, White - - - *Sleep. My bane.*
 Potato - - - - *Benevolence.*
 Potentilla - - - - *I claim, at least,*
 your esteem.
 Prickly Pear - - - *Satire.*
 Pride of China - - *Dissenting.*

SAFFRON - - - *Beware of excess.*
 Saffron Crocus - *Mirth.*
 Saffron Meadow - *My happiest days are past.*
 Sage - - - - *Domestic virtue.*
 Sage, Garden - - - *Esteem.*
 Sainfoin - - - - *Agitation.*
 St. John's Wort - - *Animosity.*
 Salvia, Blue - - - *Wisdom.*
 Salvia, Red - - - *Energy.*
 Saxifrage, Mossy - *Affection.*
 Scabious - - - - *Unfortunate love.*
 Scabious, Sweet - - *Widowhood.*
 Scarlet Lychnis - - *Sunbeaming eyes.*
 Schinus - - - - *Religious enthusiasm.*
 Scotch Fir - - - - *Elevation.*
 Sensitive Plant - - *Sensibility.*
 Seny - - - - *Indifference.*
 Shamrock - - - - *Light-heartedness.*
 Shepherd's Purse - *I offer you my all.*
 Siphocampylos - - *Resolved to be noticed.*
 Snakesfoot - - - *Horror*
 Snapdragon - - - *Presumption.*
 "No."
 Snowball - - - - *Bound*
 Snowdrop - - - - *Hope.*
 Sorrel - - - - *Affection.*
 Sorrel, Wild - - - *Wit ill timed.*
 Sorrel, Wood - - - *Joy.*
 Southernwood - - - *Jest. Bantering.*
 Spanish Jasmine - *Sensuality.*
 Spearmint - - - - *Warm sentiment.*
 Speedwell - - - - *Female fidelity.*
 Speedwell, German- *Facility.*
 der.
 Speedwell, Spiked - *Semblance.*
 Spider, Ophrys - - *Adroitness.*
 Spiderwort - - - *Esteem, not love.*
 Spiked Willow Herb *Pretension.*
 Spindle Tree - - - *Your charms are graven on my heart.*
 Star of Bethlehem - *Purity.*
 Starwort - - - - *After-thought.*
 Starwort, American *Cheerfulness in old age.*
 Stephanotis - - - *Will you accompany me to the East?*
 St. John's Wort - - *Superstition.*
 Stock - - - - *Lasting beauty.*
 Stock, Ten-week - - *Promptness.*
 Stonecrop - - - - *Tranquillity.*
 Straw (broken) - - *Rupture of a contract.*
 Straw (whole) - - *Union.*

Strawberry Blossoms - *Foresight.*
 Strawberry Tree - *Esteem, not love.*
 Sultan, Lilac - - *I forgive you.*
 Sultan, White - - *Sweetness.*
 Sultan, Yellow - - *Contempt*
 Sumach, Venice - *Splendor.*
 Sunflower, Dwarf - *Adoration.*
 Sunflower, Tall - *Haughtiness.*
 False riches.
 Swallow-wort - - *Cure for heartache*
 Sweet Basil - - - *Good wishes.*
 Sweetbriar, American. *Simplicity.*
 Sweetbriar, European. *I wound to heal.*
 Sweetbriar, Yellow *Decrease of love.*
 Sweet Pea - - - *Delicate pleasures.*
 Sweet Sultan - - - *Felicity.*
 Sweet William - - *Gallantry. Dexterity.*
 Sycamore - - - - *Curiosity.*
 Syringa - - - - *Memory. Fraternal sympathy*
 Syringa, Carolina - *Disappointment.*

See the purple Trilliums blooming
 Rich, and stately everywhere.
D. R. Goodale.

Blush Rose,
 We plainly read the Zephyr's
 stolen kiss
 In your deep blush, so where's the
 use to seal
 Your lips so cunningly, when all
 the world
 Calls you the "flower of love?"
Mrs. Ligonney.

CAMARISK - - - *Crime.*
 Tansy, Wild - - - *I declare war against you.*
 Teasel - - - - *Misanthropy.*
 Tendrils of Climbing Plants. *Ties.*
 Thistle, Common - *Austerity. Independence.*
 Thistle, Fuller's - *Misanthropy.*
 Thistle, Scotch - *Retaliation.*
 Thorn Apple - - - *Deceitful charms.*
 Thorn, Branch of - *Severity*
 Thrift - - - - *Sympathy.*
 Throatwort - - - *Neglected beauty.*
 Thyme - - - - *Activity. Courage.*
 Tiger Flower - - *For once may pride befriend me.*

Traveller's Joy - *Safety.*
 Tree of Life - *Old Age.*
 Trefoil - *Revenge.*
 Tremella Nestoc - *Resistance.*
 Trillium Pictum - *Modest beauty.*
 Triptilion Spinosum - *Be prudent.*
 Truffle - *Surprise.*
 Trumpet Flower - *Fame.*
 Tuberosc - *Dangerous pleasures.*
 Tulip, Red - *Declaration of love*
 Tulip, Variegated - *Beautiful eyes.*
 Tulip, Yellow - *Hopeless love.*
 Turnip - *Charity.*
 Tussilage, Sweet-scented. - *Justice shall be done you.*

Blossoms blue still wet with dew,
 "Sweet Violets all a-growing."

E. Cook.

VALERIAN - *An accommodating disposition.*
 Valerian, Greek - *Rupture.*
 Venice Sumach - *Intellectual excellence. Splendor.*
 Venus's Car - *Fly with me.*
 Venus's Looking-glass. - *Flattery.*
 Venus's Trap - *Deceit.*
 Verbena, Pink - *Family union.*
 Verbena, Scarlet - *Unite against evil. Church unity.*
 Verbena, White - *Pray for me.*
 Vernal Grass - *Poor, but happy.*
 Veronica - *Fidelity.*
 Veronica Speciosa - *Keep this for my sake.*
 Vervain - *Enchantment.*
 Vine - *Intoxication.*
 Violet, Blue - *Faithfulness.*
 Violet, Dame - *Watchfulness.*
 Violet, Sweet - *Modesty.*
 Violet, Yellow - *Rural happiness*
 Virginia Creeper - *I cling to you both in sunshine and shade*

Virgin's Bower - *Filial love.*
 Viscaria Oculata - *Will you dance with me?*
 Volkamenia - *May you be happy.*

WALNUT - *Intellect. Stratagem.*
 Wallflower - *Fidelity in adversity.*

Watcher by the Wayside. - *Never despair.*

Water Lily - *Purity of heart.*
 Water Melon - *Bulkiness.*
 Wax Plant - *Susceptibility.*
 Wheat Stalk - *Riches.*
 Whin - *Anger.*
 White Bud Rose - *A heart ignorant of love.*
 White Flytrap - *Deceit.*
 White Jasmine - *Amiability.*
 White Lily - *Purity and modesty.*
 White Mullein - *Good-nature.*
 White Oak - *Independence.*
 White Pink - *Talent.*
 White Poplar - *Time.*
 White Rose (dried) - *Death preferable to loss of innocence.*

Whortleberry - *Treason.*
 Willow, Creeping - *Love forsaken.*
 Willow, Water - *Freedom*
 Willow, Weeping - *Mourning.*
 Willow Herb - *Pretension.*
 Willow, French - *Bravery and humanity.*
 Winter Cherry - *Deception.*
 Wisteria - *Welcome, fair stranger.*
 Witch Hazel - *A spell.*
 Woodbine - *Fraternal love.*
 Wood Sorrel - *Joy. Maternal tenderness*
 Wormwood - *Absence.*

The Wall-flower, the Wall-flower,
 How beautiful it blooms.

Moir.

XANTHIUM - *Rudeness.*
 Xeranthemum - *Cheerfulness under adversity.*

I love those Yew-tree trunks, where
 stand arrayed
 So many deep-cut names of youth
 and maid.
Ingeloz

YEW - *Sorrow.*

Sweet Zephyrs wave with languid ease,
 Low curtseys to the coming breeze.

ZEPHYR Flower - *Expectation*
 Zinnia - *Thoughts of absent friends.*

A LOVE LETTER.

An exquisite invention this,
Saying all one feels and thinks
In clever Daffodils and Pinks;
In puns of Tulips; and in phrases,
Charming for their truth, of Daisies.

A letter comes, just gathered, We
Dote on its tender brilliancy,
Inhale its delicate expressions
Of Balm and Pea, and its Confessions
Made with as sweet a *Maiden's Blush*
As ever morn bedewed on bush:
('T is in reply to one of ours,
Made of the most convincing flowers),
Then, after we have kissed its wit,
And heart, in water putting it
(To keep its remarks fresh) go round
Our little eloquent plot of ground,
And with enchanted hands compose
Our answer,—all of Lily, Rose,
And *little darling* (Mignonette);
Of *Look at me*, and *Call me to you*
(Words that while they greet, go through you):
Of *Thought*, of *Flames*, *Forget-me-not*,
Bridewort—in short, the whole blest lot
Of vouchers for a lifelong kiss —
And literally, breathing bliss.

Leigh Hunt.

VIOLET.

Violets, shy violets!
How many hearts with thee compare,
Who hide themselves in thickest green;
And thence unseen
Ravish the enraptured air
With sweetness, dewy fresh and rare!

THE LANGUAGE OF FLOWERS.

“Teach thee their language? Sweet, I know no tongue,
No mystic art those gentle things declare;
I ne'er could trace the schoolman's brick among
Created things so delicate and rare.
Their language? Prithee, why, they are themselves
But bright thoughts syllabled to shape and hue,
The tongue that erst was spoken by the elves,
When tenderness as yet within the world was new.

“And oh! do not their soft and starry eyes—
Now bent to earth, to heaven now meekly pleading,
Their incense fainting as it seeks the skies,
Yet still from earth with freshening hope receding.
Say, do not these to every heart declare,
With all the silent eloquence of truth,
The language that they speak is Nature's prayer,
To give her back those spotless days of youth?”

C. F. Hoffman.

A POSIE.

O Luvie will venture in where it daurna weel be seen;
O Luvie will venture in where wisdom aince has been;
But I will down yon river rove, amang the wood sae green—
And a' to pu' a posie to my ain dear May.

The Primrose I will pu', the firstling of the year,
And I will pu' the Pink, the emblem o' my dear.
For she's the Pink o' womankind, and blooms without a peer—
And a' to be a posie to my ain dear May.

I'll pu' the budding Rose when Phœbus peeps in view,
For it's like a bonnie kiss o' her sweet bonnie mou';
The Hyacinth for constancy, wi' its unchanging blue—
And a' to be a posie to my ain dear May.

Burns.



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