PRESENTATION, WITH FLOWERS, OF PIN OR OTHER SMALL GIFT TO RETIRING MATRON FROM HER OFFICERS-

I

To "say it with flowers" may seem trite,
Yet what more expressive may prove
That these blossoms so dainty and bright,
The eloquent language of Love.

II

They tell of the homage we bear,
Of our joy in the year that has passed;
No shade of regret lingers there,
No thought of a sky overcast.

III

'Tis true these sweet flowers will fade,
That their fragrance too soon will depart,
So we've sought more material aid
To pin our love tight to your heart.

IV

And deep in the heart of these blossoms you'll find
A gift more substantial their import to bind.

SUBSTITUTE ADAPTATION FOR DIFFERENT GIFT

III

'Tis true these sweet flowers will fade,
So sentiment gives place to thrift;
And our officers call to their aid
A little material gift.

IV

With the hope that your heart will respond
To the tribute of love which they bring,
Just a strand in the sisterly bond
Round which may fond memories cling.