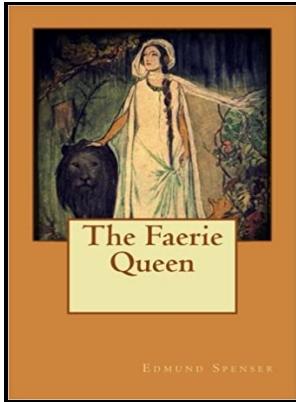


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**Caxton's Blanchardyn and Eglantine, c. 1489 : from Lord Spencer's unique imperfect copy, completed by the original French and the second English version of 1595**

It would turn out to be a great success, with seven editions being printed by 1602. Blanchardine, not able to endure these cruell menaces, willed him to addresse him to the combat quickly, or he would send him, body and soule, to hell: wherevpon he furnished himselfe to the fight. Spenser, in his new official role as sheriff, is recorded as being in Cork on 7 December.

**Spenser, Edmund (1552?**

This beautiful epithet of Aurora, the goddess of the dawn, is borrowed from Homer, Hesiod, and other ancient poets. By ensample of which excellent Poets, I laboure to pourtraict in Arthure, before he was king, the image of a brave knight, perfected in the twelve private morall vertues, as Aristotle hath devised: which if I find to be well accepted, I may be perhaps encoraged to frame the other part of pollitike vertues in his person, after he came to bee king.

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Scenes like these exemplify the artistry with which Spenser created new poetry out of old traditions. Leprosy was a common disease in England even as late as the sixteenth century.

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He is the young, untried champion of the old cause whose struggles before the Reformation are referred to in ll. Caxton's use of the Subjunctive is nearly modern; in the sentences, however, which express a wish, the synthetic use is remarkable.

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It is a well-known characteristic feature of poetical style to use sentences as co-ordinate ones, which, logically, stand in the relation of subordination. ¶ wythin the same cyte of Cassydonye were the same tyme certeyne crysten men that dwelled there vnder trybute, that were ryghte glad whan they sawe by the crysten men the town was take.

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Spenser graduated with a BA in 1573, his name placed eleventh in a list of 120, and an MA in 1576, when he was placed fourth from last out of seventy the lists may not be in order of merit. But so moche Page 21 they coude not seke nor enquyre that euer they coude lerne nor here ony tdynges of hym, wherof alle dolant and confuse tourned ayen to the kyng of Fryse, that of this aduenture was full sory and dolaunt. The beginning therefore of my historie, if it were to be told by an Historiographer, should be the twelfh booke, which is the last; where I devise that the Faery Queene kept her annuall feast twelve daies; uppon which twelve severall dayes, the occasions of the twelve severall adventures hapned, which being undertaken by XII severall knights, are in these twelve books severally handled and discoursed.

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