**Eldorado**

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Gaily bedight,

   A gallant knight,

In sunshine and in shadow,

   Had journeyed long,

   Singing a song,

In search of Eldorado.

   But he grew old—

   This knight so bold—

And o’er his heart a shadow—

   Fell as he found

   No spot of ground

That looked like Eldorado.

   And, as his strength

   Failed him at length,

He met a pilgrim shadow—

   ‘Shadow,’ said he,

   ‘Where can it be—

This land of Eldorado?’

   ‘Over the Mountains

   Of the Moon,

Down the Valley of the Shadow,

   Ride, boldly ride,’

   The shade replied,—

‘If you seek for Eldorado!’

Find the poetic devices and the meaning.