SOMETHING IN THE AIR

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(The following ditties parody the popular songs “Pennies from Heaven,” “I’m Looking Over a Four-Leaf Clover” and “Bye, Bye, Blackbird,” respectively.)

May Fever

Every spring we wheeze and sneeze... pollen from flowers.
    Wafting on the very breeze:  pollen from flowers.
You’ll find folks blowing beezers on every street,
    As more emphatic sneezers... fly off their feet!

Trade these for a bouquet of birds, bees and bowers—
    If we want cool stuff we love, we must take flowers!
So, when you start in sneezin’, it’s no reason to flee—
    It’s just pollen come callin’ for you and me!

Chthonian Cloverleaf

Oh, I’m driving over a concrete clover
    Two hundred feet up—or more!
One leaf is lethal, another is fell;
    A third is a spiral that spins down to—well,

I’ll finish explaining:  the loop remaining
    Takes you back where you were before!
Oh, I’m driving over the Devil’s Clover—
    And will be forever more!

Hello, Vampire

Bye, bye, coffin, here I go, wingin’ low, eyes aglow—
    Fly, fly, vampire!
Somewhere serum waits for me (O is sweet—so’s AB!)
    Fly, fly, vampire!

None of you can love or understand me—
    Oh! what quaint wood crosses you all hand me!

Just go to bed and kill the light; I’ll be there...
    Late tonight?
Vampire, hello!