

THE ARCHERS' SONG.

as sung at the Anniversary of

ROBIN-HOOD ARCHERS

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The fox, aroused by the cheering,
Is skulking away for his lair;
The beeves too hear the careering,
And dart o'er the meadows with fear!
Then away, &c.

3.

There stands the beauteous Target,
With rings of different hue;
Each bowman strives to mark it,
With wary aim and true.
Then away, &c.

The red, white, black and the azure,
As skill directs, are hit;
But the gold, that marks the treasure,
Remains untarnished yet.
Then away, &c.

5.

At length some more lucky fellow
Lets fly a surer dart,
And, lo! the favoured yellow
Is striken at the heart.
Then away, &c.

6.

With garlands then they crown him
The hero of the day,
And fields and woods resound in
A cheerful roundelay!
Then away, &c.

7.

But now their sport is ceasing,
For, see! the day is gone;
Yet, yet there's no releasing,
Since evening joys come on.
Then away, then away, to the festive board,
To join with the merry men all;
While the bugle, the bugle, it echoes
The jubilant note through the hall!