

in his dungeon? He strained his ears to listen. When the first verse was ended, Blondel took up the song, and sang the second verse. Then the king, for it was Richard himself, knew that Blondel had found him out, and that he would soon be free again. And so he was. His own people loved him so much, that they paid a great price for his freedom, and when he landed in England, there was such joy as never was.

QUESTIONS.

1. What sort of a man was King Richard? 2. What war did he take part in? 3. How did he behave in battle? 4. How did he get on with the other princes? 5. What did the Turks think about him? What did they use his name for? 6. What happened to King Richard on his way home? Why did he put on the dress of a poor man? 7. How was he found out? 8. Who came to the house where he was? 9. What did Duke Leopold do to him? 10. What did Blondel do when he heard that the king was in prison? 11. How did he find him out?

**THE BLACK PRINCE AT THE BATTLE OF
CRESSY (A.D. 1346).**

1. One of the bravest and best-loved kings that England ever had was **King Edward the Third**. He was a wise king, and was just and kind to his own people, but he was very fond of war, and, like most warriors, he was now and then cruel.

2. He had a son, who was so gentle, and brave, and handsome, that all men loved him; and, as he wore black armour, they called him the **Black Prince**.