**From: Finland**

**Earliest Appearance: Collected by Sakari Topelius**

**Best Known Version: The one by Topelius, obviously**

**Synopsis: As an only child of a king and a queen, Adalmina receives gifts from two fairy godmothers. One gives her a pearl that will make her prettier, smarter, and richer every day. The other one promises that if she lost the pearl and all it gives her, she would gain a pure, loving heart instead of it. Naturally, the princess grows up to be smarter, prettier and richer than anyone else. But she is unbelievably proud, vain, selfish, and cold-hearted spoiled brat. And she is generally a pain in the ass to everyone except to her devoted parents.   One day, Adalmina sneaks out of the castle and comes across a clear forest pond where she loses her crown while admiring her reflection. Instantly, the princess turns into a plain peasant girl in rags and forgets everything about herself. As she aimlessly wanders in the forest, an old lady finds her. Out of a pity, she lets her live with her and tend goats. Now possessing a kind and loving heart, Adalmina is grateful for that little the old lady can offer her and is happy to live with her in a humble cottage.  Terrified of their daughter’s disappearance, the king and the queen send out a message that should a prince or noble successfully find her, he would receive her hand in marriage and half of her dad’s kingdom as a reward. A prince, who has heard of Adalmina’s unparalled beauty and brains, has fallen in love with her from afar and is determined to find her. However, once he travels far and wide and finds out that everyone thinks she is a brat who should stay lost, he loses his interest in the princess after finding her crown in the woods. Tired and lost, he stumbles upon the old woman’s cottage where he stays for a few days before returning to the king and queen with the crown.**

**Overjoyed to learn about the crown, the king and queen summon every appropriately aged girl in the kingdom to the castle in order to try it on. As expected, the crown passes from head to head but fits no one. Having had enough of this, the prince decides to stay until sunset if the princess hasn't been found by then. Yet, just as the sun is disappearing on the horizon, a goat herder girl from the cottage shows up on the road on her way to town. Happy to see her, the prince promises to marry her whether Adalmina is found or not. In the end, the crown fits the girl and she transforms back into the Adalmina everyone knew with all beauty, intelligence, and riches restored. But now that her heart is permanently thawed, she falls to her knees begging forgiveness for every bad thing she has done. The people rejoice and the prince and the princess are married and live happily ever after.**