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The “Rose and Nightingale” (or *gul u bul bul*) pairing is commonly found in literature and the visual arts of Iran’s Qajar period (1779-1924). Use your senses and imagine you are in the garden with the nightingales. What do you hear? Can you smell the iris, peony and daisy? What colors do you imagine seeing in the garden? Write a short story or poem about the Rose and Nightingale.