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SPIRITUAL HARP:

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FOR THE

CHOIR, CONGREGATION, AND SOCIAL CIRCLE.

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I heard harpers harping on their harps; and they sung a new song. - John.

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GREETING:

"Let me make the ballads of a nation," says Fletcher of Saltoun, "and I care not who makes the laws." Revolutions date in the improvised songs of the peasantry. Religion springs to form from the hearts of the musical seers of all ages. Music envelops every surrounding object with Æolian vibrations. The leaves, the tips of grass, the winds, the sunbeams, the very fibres of wood and rock, all things respond. The angels, charmed when sweet melodies rise like ocean ripples from joyous souls, cannot help approaching us. As our music quiveringly touches and trembles the finer chords of their souls, we hear an echo far sweeter, and in turn we pause and listen, the auditors now of heavenly choirs. Thus the songs we produce, however humble, set all the universe ablaze with melodious light, and, ringing through the arches of heaven, bless all hearts with new joy.

Conscious of this happy truth, and feeling that the interests of Spiritualism, growing into favor with the people everywhere, demanded a new musical organ, full of the live thought and song of the age, on consulting with friends both in spirit and earth life, who urged the undertaking with great earnestness, we ventured out, and after a year's close and indefatigable labor, now present to the world our "SPIRITUAL HARP," believing that even the angels will delight to hear its inspiring harmonies in all the circles to which they minister in love.

Our poetical friends have lavished upon us their kind tokens of regard, for which we heartily thank them. Words are inadequate to express the gratitude we cherish for the sympathy and assistance of so many co-operators in our arduous task. Keeping in view the claims of our holy cause, we have aimed at justice to all; but owing to limited space, we have been obliged to reject much that is of intrinsic merit. At least one-third of the poetry is original, gushing with fresh inspiration from the fountain of truth. The selected poetry is also eclectic, being culled with the most studious fidelity, and carefully criticised till every theological taint is expunged, and only such other changes made as are necessary to the rhythmic construction of the verses. Three-quarters of the music is original, which, with the selected, comprises a rich variety of the most attractive character, suited to all occasions. Some of America's most glifted and popular composers, such as Dr. Lowell Mason, G. F. Root, J. G. Clark, and others, whose inspiring songs enchant all the masses, have brought us under lasting obligations for original and selected contributions. We acknowledge with equal gratitude the generosity of the musical publishers, whose highly appreciated selections we have credited to their respective names.

Spiritualism is scientific religion. With others we have felt the necessity of adopting such a system in our public instructions as shall tend to more thoroughly cultivate the religious nature, perfect individual character, and harmonize society. The department of "Spirit Echoes," original and selected, is designed to meet this growing demand in a measure at least. The Children's Progressive Lyceum, inaugurated by A. J. Davis, has been inductive to a magnificent symbolic education of spiritual life. Following its wonderful success, we have, in part, adapted it to general worship in a new form of "Silver-chain Recitations." They can be used by the speaker as a reading exercise, or in the form of responses, with or without music. The alternation of reading by the speaker and singing by the congregation, thus bringing the two into rapport with each other, and preparing the way for a more inspirational influx from the angels, must be most hallowed in influence. Let these be used occasionally at least, that their golden truths may be deeply engraved upon the memory. As a means to the highest possible inspiration from ministering spirits, tending to avoid all monotony in our religious exercises, and to harmonize our forces for nobler work, we suggest that speaking and singing be more bleaded by having short congregational tunes introduced at intervals during the lecture, as the speaker may request. When the sacred influence of silent communion at the opening or closing of our meetings, of forms of beauty, and healthful exercises, shall thus chime with "Spirit Echoes," speech and song, our worship will be the most attractive ever instituted. In this department we have added a few funeral recitations, each brief and full of spiritual consolation.

Fully satisfied that congregational singing harmonizes an audience better, and is therefore more satisfactory than quartet or choir singing, we earnestly recommend its adoption in the lecture-room and conference-meeting.

Although the second department of this work is particularly mentioned as congregational, there are many pieces in the first, also in the solo and anthem departments, that may be properly and easily sung by the congregation, when led by a choir and organ. We appeal to choir-members, not merely to permit the congregation to sing an occasional slow measured tune, but to heartily encourage all to sing with them every piece that is used in the religious meeting. Beautiful solo, quartet, and select chorus singers are heard with profit and delight in the concert-room; but in the religious meeting, let us have the great, throbbing, swelling, mountain voice of the people. What if it be a little rough, showing its sharp points and deep declivities? Its natural commingling of soul, rounded into order by and by, will be all inspiring.

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Trusting that the "Harp" will indeed bless millions, as an instrument of inspiration to loftier purpose in life, we humbly dedicate it to the Spiritualists and Reformers of the world, in love of truth and progress.

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flowing For one so early lost to earth and thee?

The depths of grief no human being knowing, Which moans in spirit like the moaning God knows it all! [sea?

Then trust thy God! Pour out thy heart before him,

There is no grief thy Father cannot feel; And let thy grateful songs of praise adore

- him
- By striving every wounded heart to heal! God knows it all!
- Hold thy passions under ban, Rise a truer, higher man? Then do right!

Every tempter wisely scan,

From diseases' blight and storm,

Then do right!

4 Wouldst thou truest friendship know,

Wouldst thou pure and holy grow,

Prosper without selfish end, Find in all a brother, friend.

Each a helping hand to lend?



With sunshine and music and love; Each day it grows richer in wisdom and And more like sweet heaven above. [worth,

- 2 Be happy, be happy! for fountains most sweet Are gushing along the bright years,
- With joys more abundant than tears. [feet,
- 3 Be happy, be happy! who loves the black clouds,

Which lower in their boding so deep?

'Tis better to walk in bright raiments than 'Tis better to smile than to weep. [shrouds,

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9.

COMETH A BLESSING DOWN.

- NOT to the man of dollars, Not to the man of deeds, Not to the man of cunning, Not to the man of creeds,
 Not to the one whose passion Is for a world's renown,
 Not in the form of fashion, Cometh a blessing down.
- 2 Not unto lands' expansion, Not to the miser's chest, Not to the princely mansion, Not to the blazoned crest, Not to the sordid worldling, Not to the knavish clown, Not to the haughty tyrant, Cometh a blessing down.

3 Not to the folly blinded, Not to the steeped in shame, Not to the carnal-minded Not to unholy fame, Not in neglect of duty, Not in the monarch's crown Not at the smile of beauty, Cometh a blessing down.

4 But to the one whose spirit Yearns for the great and good, Unto the one whose storehouse Yieldeth the hungry food, Unto the one who labors, Fearless of foe or frown, Unto the kindly-hearted, Cometh a blessing down.



And dries the helpless orphan's tear.

A light is breaking calm and clear.

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12.

THE BETTER LAND.

 I HEAR thee speak of the better land; Thou callest its children a happy band; Mother! oh, where is that radiant shore? Shall we not seek it, and weep no more? Is it where the flower of the orange blows, And the fire-flies dance through the myrtle boughs?

No, not there, no, not there, my child!

- 2 Is it where the feathery palm-trees rise, And dates are grown ripe under sunny skies? Or 'mid green islands of glittering seas, Where fragrant forests perfume the breeze, And strange bright birds, on their starry wings,
 - Bear the richest hues of all glorious things? No, not there, no, not there, my child!

- 3 Is it far away in some region old, Where rivers are wand'ring o'er sands of gold, Where burning rays of the ruby shine, And diamonds light up the secret mine, And pearls gleam forth from the coral strand?
 - Is it there, sweet mother, that better land? No, not there, no, not there, my child!
- 4 Eye hath not seen it, my gentle boy! Ear hath never heard its deep sounds of joy; Dreams cannot picture a world so fair; Sorrow and death may not enter there; Time doth not breathe on its fadeless bloom,
 - Beyond the clouds and beyond the tomb; It is there, it is there, my child!

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- 3 When grief doth come to rack the heart, And fortune bids us sorrow, From hope we may a blessing reap, And consolation borrow;
 - If thorns may rise where roses bloom, It cannot be prevented;
 - So make the best of life you can, And smile and be contented.

15.

CHARITY. I TF we knew the cares and crosses, Crowded round our neighbor's way; If we knew the little losses, Sorely grievous day by day; Would we then so often chide him For the lack of thrift and gain, Leaving on his heart a shadow, Leaving on our hearts a stain?

- 2 If we knew the silent story, Quivering through the heart of pain, Would our human hearts dare doom them Back to haunts of vice and shame? Life has many a tangled crossing, Joy hath many breaks of woe, And the cheeks, tear-washed, are whitest, -This the blessed angels know.
- 3 Let us reach within our bosoms For the key to other lives, And, with love to erring nature, Cherish good that still survives; So that when our disrobed spirits Soar to realms of light again, We may have the blest fruition Of unselfish love to men.



SCATTER the germs of the beautiful! By the wayside let them fall, That the rose may spring by the cottage gate, And the vine on the garden-wall; Cover the rough and the rude of earth With a veil of leaves and flowers, And mark with the opening bud and cup The march of summer hours.
Scatter the germs of the beautiful In the holy shrine of home, Let the pure and fair and the graceful there

- In their loveliest lustre come; Leave not a trace of deformity
- In the temple of the heart, But gather about its hearth the gems Of nature and of art.

- 3 Scatter the germs of the beautiful In the temple of our God, Of the God who starred the uplifted sky,
 - And who flowered the trampled sod; , Building a temple for himself
 - And a home for ev'ry race,
 - He reared ev'ry arch in symmetry, And curved each line in grace.
- 4 Scatter the germs of the beautiful In the depth of ev'ry soul;
 They shall bud and blossom and bear the While the endless ages roll; [fruit,
 - Plant with the flowers of charity The portals of the tomb,
 - And truth, love, and joy about your path In Paradise shall bloom.

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 HOW to be happy? Go ask the flower That peeps above the ground,
 And scatters perfume every hour On all the plants around,
 Dying at last, engulfed in sweet,
 Its own pure leaves its winding-sheet.

2 How to be happy? Go ask the bird In golden plumage drest,
Whose morning hymn of praise is heard, Uprising from its nest,
Singing as sweet as heav'nly choirs,
Attuned by angels' magic lyres.

- 3 How to be happy? Go ask the star That throws its modest light On myriad worlds afar, afar, Beyond all mortal sight, Running its long and bright career, Yet moves not from its brilliant sphere.
- 4 How to be happy? Come, let us go To Nature's secret care;
 Open thy heart to wisdom's flow, And lay thy spirit bare.
 Like flower and bird and star, thou'lt find The gem thou seek'st is in thy mind.





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^I B^{RIGHT} Star of Hope, thy rise we hail; Our hearts drink in thy glad'ning rays, That e'er illume the pilgrim's way, And fill the soul with holy praise.

STAR OF HOPE.

- 2 Bright Star of Hope, we follow thee; Herald divine, we catch thy voice; Thy notes proclaim God's jubilee, And bid a rising world rejoice.
- 3 Hail, Star of Hope! our hearts adore Thy light, which shines on life's dark wave Like the bright guide on ocean's shore, The storm-spent mariner to save.
- 4 Hail, Star of Hope! man's certain guide To truth and life by mercy given; Spread wide thy rays, till all mankind Receive this richest boon of heaven.

23. OH, STRIKE THE HARP IN NATURE'S PRAISE!

OH, the budding leaves of spring-time, With their lovely verdure bright,
Are filling the earth with beauty,
And the soul with calm delight.
Are filling the earth with beauty,
And the soul with calm delight.
Then strike the harp in nature's praise For all things bright and gay,
For soon the autumn days will come,
And the flow'rets pass away,
For soon the autumn days will come,
And the flow'rets pass away.

- 2 Oh, the roses come in summer With their fragrance sweet and rare,
 - A glorious bright new-comer, Whose brilliance fills the air, A glorious bright new-comer,
 - Whose brilliance fills the air. Chorus.
- 3 But the autumn days are near us With the sere and yellow leaf; But golden grains shall cheer us, And promise earth relief, But golden grains shall cheer us,
 - And promise earth relief. Chorus.
- 4 It is thus with fleeting hours, In the life of man on earth; He comes like the spring-time flowers, And falls in autumn's dearth, He comes like the spring-time flowers, And falls in autumn's dearth. Chorus.
- 5 But there is a land of beauty, Of wisdom, love, and truth, Where in the path of duty We shall live in endless youth, Where in the path of duty We shall live in endless youth. Then strike the harp in nature's praise For all things bright and gay! For, though the flowers of earth-land fade, We shall live in endless day, For, though the flowers of earth-land fade, We shall live in endless day.





O'er earth, my soul to heaven above, As to her native home, upsprings, For God is love.

26.

THE BEAUTIFUL SHORE.

Can every gloomy doubt remove,

And turn all tears, all woes, to bliss,

For God is love.

- I THERE'S a beautiful shore, where the loved ones are gone, 'Mid the flowers decked in evergreen bloom,
 - And we know they have crossed o'er the dark death-wave, And they dwell in that bright angel home.
 - They have fought the good fight, and the faith have kept; And they join in the angel throng;
 - And the soft, melting note of the chorus above In beauty is borne along.
- 2 Oh, that beautiful shore where the loved ones are gone, And the flowers and the evergreen trees,
 - We shall see when the death-damp is on our brow, And the breath faintly dies on the breeze;
 - We shall meet the beloved who have gone before, And have bloomed in the world of peace,
 - When our spirits shall pass to that holier shore, Where sorrows forever cease.
- 3 To that beautiful shore where the loved ones are gone, To the flowers and the evergreen glade,
 - We shall one day ascend, like the brave of yore, And repose in the beautiful shade.
 - We must bear the good part, must not shrink from toil, Till the pilot shall bear us o'er
 - To the union of hearts in the land of the blest, Where parting shall come no more.



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29.

OUR NATIVE LAND.

- UR Native Land, our Native Land, Land dear to every heart! They breathe free air, they proudly stand, Who but of thee have part!
 Tis not broad plains, or skies so clear, Or mountains high and grand;
 Tis liberty that makes so dear Our own blest Native Land!
 2 Oh, land beloved, whose Washington Toiled nobly for its peace,
 - Whose patriots bled till life was done, That tyranny might cease!
 - Twas Freedom's shrine they sought to rear; By that we ever stand;
 - "Tis liberty that makes so dear Our own blest Native Land!

- 3 Dear Native Land! the world's oppressed Turn longingly to thee;
 - Not for thy wealth, thy might confessed, Thy noble Unity;
 - Not for thy wide, embracing sphere, Thy sons that waiting stand;
 - 'Tis liberty that makes so dear Our own blest Native Land!
- 4 Dear Native Land! dear Father-Land! May peace within thee dwell!
 - May bounteous life from God's good hand O'er all thy valleys swell!
 - May right and truth have nought to fear While heaven and earth shall stand!
 - 'Tis liberty that makes so dear Our own blest Native Land!



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 THOU hast passed the shadowy portal, Thou hast borne the mortal strife, Thou hast left this world of sorrow For a world of heavenly life;
 And our hearts are grieving for thee, Grieving with intensest pain,
 Grieving that we shall not see thee, Our dear mother, here again.

2 How we love thee! Ah! we love thee, Love thee more than words can tell, Love thee, not, we trust, unwisely, Lost one! not, we trust, too well; Lost one? No, not lost, for near us In the spirit, still thou art, And in all our best affections Bearest still a precious part.

34. ONE BY ONE.
¹ ONE by one the sands are flowing, One by one the moments fall;
Some are coming, some are going, Strive not thou to grasp them all. One by one thy duties wait thee, Let thy whole strength go to each, Let no future dreams elate thee, Learn thou first what those can teach.

2 Do not look.at life's long sorrow, See how small each moment's pain; God will help thee for to-morrow, Every day begin again.

Every hour that fleets so slowly Has its task to do or bear; Luminous the crown, and holy, If thou set each gem with care.

3 Do not linger with regretting, Or for passion hours despond, Nor, the daily toil forgetting, Look too eagerly beyond.
Hours are golden links, God's token, Reaching heaven; but one by one, Take them lest the chain be broken Ere the pilgrimage be done.







- 37. THINK GENTLY OF THE ERRING.
 - I THINK gently of the erring one, And let us not forget, However darkly stained by sin, He is our brother yet; Heir of the same inheritance, Child of the self-same God, He hath but stumbled in the path Which we in weakness trod.
 - 2 Speak gently to the erring one, For is it not enough That innocence and peace have gone, Without thy censure rough?
 - It sure must be a weary lot That sin-crushed heart to bear. And they who share a happier fate Their chidings well may spare.
 - 3 Speak kindly to the erring one; Thou yet mayst lead him back, With holy words and tones of love, From misery's thorny track; Forget not thou hast often sinned, And sinful yet may be; Deal gently with the erring one, As God has dealt with thee.

EVENING.

- GENTLE twilight, softly stealing I O'er the busy scenes of earth, Brings a beautiful revealing Of the spirit's holier worth, -Sweet revealing Of the spirit's holier worth.
- 2 Filled with meditative musing Sits the calm, communing soul, Stars of twilight soft diffusing Evening incense as they roll, --Soft diffusing Evening incense as they roll.
- 3 Brightest of the orbs there beaming, Heavenly lamps hung out above, Shines the lamp of truth redeeming, Star of God's unfailing love, -Truth redeeming, Star of God's unfailing love.
- 4 Holy star, so mildly shining, With thy pure, celestial ray, Let my heart, its love entwining, Feel the dawn of heavenly day, -Love entwining, Feel the dawn of heavenly day.





39.

- 1 WHEN in Despondency's dark path My weary feet were found, And scarce one gleam of hope or faith Lit up the gloom profound;
- 2 And when my spirit depths were stirred To keenest agony, -
 - I then this sweet assurance heard, "Thy Father leadeth thee."

TRUST.

- 3 Then I will trust His guardian care Who, with unmeasured love, Would draw my wandering heart to where Its treasures are, - above.
- 4 And though the way still darker grow, And I no rift can see Within the cloud, I still shall know, My Father leadeth me.



40.

. WE ARE ALL REJOICING.

2 THEY are those whom we lost 'mid our tears, 3 Lo, they come in the glory of light, They are those we've thought absent for And they come with a joy all divine [years,] Round our hearts their fond loves to entwine.

And they come in the stillness of night, And they lead every heart to adore, Till the tearful are weeping no more.

"SHE SLEEPS HER LAST SLEEP!"



- 4 And their light hath dispersed the gloom, While a halo encircles the tomb, And fair hope twines a chaplet of bliss To unite their bright world unto this.
- 5 Oh, let smiles then illumine each heart; Bid its sorrows forever depart; Take the hand that pure angels extend, And be guided to joys without end.

41. "SHE SLEEPS HER LAST SLEEP."

 SORROWFUL mourner, silently weep! Weep, for thy loved one sleeps her last sleep;
 Gaze on the form where beauty once bloomed, Now in the dust it must be entombed.

Sorrowful mourner, silently weep,-

Weep, for thy loved one sleeps her last sleep.

2 Come to her couch, draw quietly near, Think of her soul in Love's happy sphere, Check then thy sorrows, death is the hand Bearing her on to yonder bright land. Sorrowful mourner, silently weep,— Weep, for thy loved one sleeps her last sleep !

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- 3 Bear her away, friends, to her last home! Peacefully lay her down in the tomb ! Lightly, tread lightly, round the low bed, Sweetly now sleeps the beautiful dead. Sorrowful mourner, silently weep,— Weep, for thy loved one sleeps her last sleep ?
- 4 Beautiful song-birds, sing round her grave! Gently, ye pine-boughs, over her wave! Blow, ye soft breezes, sweet breath of spring! Musical rill, your lullaby sing. Sorrowful mourner, weeping no more, Meet her upon yon beautiful shore.







- 42.
- I GLORY to God, and peace to men," Once rung o'er wide Judea's plain; Angelic hosts sung gladly when The Prince of peace was born to reign.
- 2 How sweet that heavenly chorus rose O'er hatred's harsh, discordant sound; How pure its peaceful anthem flows, To charm the earth's remotest bound.
- 3 The morning stars together sung, The hills rejoiced, the valleys smiled; The bow of hope in heaven was hung, Arched o'er the manger of the child.
- 4 And ever peals that heavenly song, "Glory to God and peace to men," As rolling years the strains prolong, And angel hosts are come again.

43.

HEAVEN.

- I THERE is a land mine eye hath seen In visions of encentured thought In visions of enraptured thought, So bright that all that lies between Is with its radiant glory fraught;
- 2 A land upon whose blissful shore, There falls no shadow, rests no stain;

There those who meet shall part no more, And those long parted meet again.

- 3 Its skies are not like earthly skies, With varying hues of shade and light; It hath no need of suns to rise,
 - To dissipate the gloom of night.
- 4 There sweeps no desolating wind Across that calm serene abode; The wanderer there a home may find, Within the paradise of God.
- 44. HOME OF THE ANGELS.
 - ^I BEAUTIFUL home of life and light, Thy glory beams upon our sight; Thy anthems ring from dome to dome, Home of the angels, happy home.
 - 2 Over thy radiant bending skies The hues of morning float and rise; Gently as breathes the voice of prayer, Songs of the sinless fill the air.
 - 3 Beautiful home of love divine, Our deepest hearts around thee twine; Unto thy summer bowers we come, Home of the angels, happy home.



45. SHALL WE KNOW THE LOVED ONES THERE?

- I AND shall we know the loved ones there, In you bright with the In yon bright world of love and bliss, When, on the wings of ambient air, Our spirits soar away from this? Or must we feel the ceaseless pain
 - Of absence in that glorious sphere, [vain And search through heaven's bright hosts in The sainted forms we've cherished here?
- 2 Will not their hearts demand us there, -Those hearts, whose fondest throbs were To us on earth, whose every prayer [given Petitioned for our ties in heaven? Whose love outlived the stormy past, And closer twined around us here, And deeper grew until the last, -
 - Say, will they not demand us there?

- 3 Will they not wander lonely o'er Those fields of light and life above, If spirits they have loved of yore Respond not to the call of love?
 - And though the glory of the skies, And seraph's glittering crowns they wear,
 - Though heaven's full radiance greet their eyes,

Still, will they not demand us there?

- 4 It must be so; for heaven is home, Where severed spirits reunite;
 - And from the basement to its dome, Are altars sacred to the rite;
 - And joy doth strike her golden strings, And holier seems that home of bliss,
 - As some reft heart from earth upsprings To meet in that the loved of this.

THE MYSTIC BARK.



- ▲ The boatman is pale and the bark is old; 'Tis the burden that's breathed from the lips of clay,
- And the spirit shudders to launch away,
- To ungrapple the chains from the shores of Time,
- With an outward bound for an unknown clime;
- To loose its grasp from the realm of real, And be drifted away to the dim ideal.

- It talks to the soul in a different way,
- And it says the rays from the realms of Day Give warmth to the waves that we dream are cold.
- And the river's glinted with glimmers of gold;
- That the ripples are bronzed by a brilliance bright,
- Unswept by the shadows that darken Time's flight.


- 3 And it says that the bark, tho' of fairy form, Is a masterpiece of the heavenly Norm;
 - And though light as a cloud in the ether blue,
 - And clear as air, it is strong and true.
 - And bright angels' wings are the sails that bear

The longing life to a land so fair, [bliss, And the music that drifts from the world of Makes the spirit forget all the music of this.

4 And this is the way our bark shall ride O'er murmuring waters in musical tide; And a convoy of souls on the other side, So pure and fair, and so glorified, With anthems of rapture shall welcome in Another life from the land of sin; And the spirit released here shall nevermore Regret its change to the fadeless shore.

IMMORTALITY.

 WHEN our wearied eyes shall close On the toils, the cares, and woes,
 Which create a stream that flows Darkly through life's realm, Joys and hopes to overwhelm, —
 Then the soul ascending
 Lives where all joys blending, Bide unending.

2 There the soul shall still live on, As unnumbered cycles run, Till each planet-circled sun Pales and fades away, Knowing sorrow nor decay, Higher still progressing, Purer joys possessing, Onward pressing. 37



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SONG OF THE HARVESTERS.

- 1 WE gather them in, the bright green leaves, | 3 We gather them in, the mellow fruits, With our scythes and our rakes to-day, And the mow grows big as the pitcher heaves His lifts in the swelt'ring bay.
 - Oh, ho! afield! for the mower's scythe Hath a ring of destiny,
 - Sweeping the earth of its burden lithe, As it sings in wrathful glee.
- 2 We gather them in, the nodding plumes Of the yellow and bended grain,
 - And the glancing light of our blades illumes Our march o'er the vanquished plain.
 - Anon we come with the steed-drawn car, With the car of modern laws,
 - And acres stoop to its clanging jar, As it reeks its hungry jaws.

- - From the shrub and the vine and tree,
 - With their russet, golden, and purple suits, To garnish our treasury;
 - And each has juiciest treasure stored Of the nectar we will bring
 - To cheer the guests at the social board In our festive gathering.
- 4 We gather it in, this goodly store, But not with a miser's gust,
 - For the great All-Father that we adore Hath giv'n it to us in trust.
 - Our work of death doth preserve our life In the wintry days to come, ---
 - May blessings fall on the reaper's strife, As we shout our harvest home!







3 His fashion is meekness, sincere and intense, 3 In the midst of doubting, His impulse of soul ever true, [good sense, Never faint! Yet tempered by judgment and taught by Never hath a coward Made a saint; For the purest in manners is highest in rank; In the paths of duty, Clear the way! Is Nature's own nobleman, friendly and frank, Great will be the beauty: Strike away!

And cordial with me and with you;

Is a man with his heart in his hand.

O man, it is you who can stand,

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^I COME, I come from the spirit world, where sounds of sorrow cease; The crystal waters of truth I bring, whose waves are pulsing peace, To gladden the soul with holy springs that gush in summer lands, And freshen the germs of the beautiful along life's dreary sands.

- 2 I come, I come on the music-drifts that play beyond the skies, To trill the heart that's cold and dead with joys of paradise; With tears to pearl hope's withered flower that's touched by the hand of death, To bloom again with sweets ensphered in a healing angel's breath.
- 3 I come, I come with forgiving grace to soothe each wounded breast, And deep in the bleeding soul to pour the balm of heavenly rest, Till all the wells of thought shall throb with minstrelsy of love, And passion's fire shall blend with songs of seraph choirs above.
- 4 I come, I come with flashing light death's portals to unseal, To roll the stone of doubt away and long-lost friends reveal, And break immortal mornings o'er the river of the free, On whose pure sunny tides we'll float to heaven's eternal sea.



57.

^I A RISE, O man! the morning light Is dawning on thy mental night; God breathes o'er Nature's drowsy throng, And wakes her thousand tongues to song. Hark! from the spheres where loved ones What tones of joy their anthems swell,[dwell, Behold your dead are risen again ! Let mortals shout the glad amen. Proud error yields her hapless reign; Her valiant hosts are 'mong the slain.

MORNING LIGHT.

2 Truth mounts again the royal throne, And millions haste her power to own. With radiance science gilds the tomb, And man emerges from its gloom; Nor creeds, nor priestly rule again, Hath power the free-born soul to chain. God wields no more the tyrant's sway; His love shall light the pilgrim's way, And make the shining road appear With every mortal's footprint there.



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- And spirits bright whose curls lay light, Like sunbeams over snow.
- 2 There are sunny eyes like thine own blue I T COME, I come from my spirit home, Sunny eyes I've seen before, [skies -Will sparkle bright as the stars of night,

When I near the welcome shore.

- There are little feet I loved to meet, When earth was sweet to me,
- I know will bound when the rippling sound Of my boat comes over the sea.
- The loved whom truth makes free; The green old earth, the land of birth, With its homes, is dear to me.

The heavens are wide, but cannot hide

'Neath the western sky so red.

Gentle words of love to bring.

Like a bird in early spring,

MESSENGER.

To the beautiful here, whom my heart holds

[dear,



2 My home is there, in that world so fair, But the gulf's not deep nor wide,
Which lieth between this dim earthly scene And the home beyond the tide.
The thoughts of love, like carrier-dove,

The heart's fond message bear; The angel bands, with willing hands,

Shall answer ev'ry prayer.

- 3 Farewell, farewell! for my soul can dwell In the earthly form no more; For my heavenly home over which I roam Is beyond death's open door.
 - Farewell, farewell! for my soul doth swell, With joys which earth transcend;
 - I'll welcome here to happier sphere, When thy pilgrimage shall end.

60. PRESS ON.

PRESS on, press on, ye brave and true, On till the dawning of the new, When liberty, with clarion voice, Shall waken worlds to glad rejoice; When Freedom, with her praiseful songs, Shall cancel all of slavery's wrongs, And echo through immensity Their own eternal victory.

- 2 Press on until those truths are born, Life promised at the early morn; Faint not, nor weary by the way, But gather courage day by day. What though you tread the tangled thorn, Or brave the world's malignant scorn? What though the Pilates crucify, Or dangers darkly multiply?
- 3 Is life not worthy all the cost? Is not more gained than can be lost? Is immortality a dream, And truth a transient, fleeting beam, As sunshine on the silver stream? Will hope and truth and love but seem Bright angels of the summer hours, Winged for heaven's immortal bowers?



A power to will, to plan, to guide; He works throughout the world to-day, To animate, inspire, provide.

3 Oh, heart of love! — to me he metes This fleckered life of good and ill;
And all its tangled paths are sweet With golden glimpses of his will.
In death he comes, to bring my soul Through aisles of shadow, vague and dim To golden stairways, bright with bliss, Forever winding on to him.

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61.

ORIENT.

By man, with skilful thought, designed,

The Sov'reign Force, the Central Mind.

He buds and blooms in summer hours;

He comes in autumn's flush and fruit,

In winter's crown of hoary flow'rs.

I \bigcap H, not through seemly forms or creeds,

To me he comes, the Primal Good,

The tidal pulse of Nature's heart





64.

- WHEN night, advancing queenly, Her starry mantle throws
 O'er the earth lying serenely In quiet, soft repose,
 Down from those realms of splendor Do not blest spirits go,
 Winged by remembrance tender, To loved ones yet below?
 Do not bright forms surround us The work woiled from worth sight?
- Though veiled from mortal sight? Clings not the old love round us As a coronal of light? Do they not hover nigh us
 - To comfort, guide, and keep, When sorrows sorely try us, When bitterly we weep?
- 3 Oh, mother-love! deep, yearning In tenderness and care, At death's dark threshold turning To breathe on us a prayer;

DO THEY LOVE US STILL ?

- Oh, father-love! that strongly Kept our young life from harm, Checking steps that wandered wrongly Till death unnerved the arm.
- 4 Oh, sister-love! that brightly Shone on our childhood's day, Whose young life passed so lightly Along the starry way;
 - Oh, brother-love! so smiling, That sunned our path with joy, Till angels him beguiling,
 - He passed to their employ.
- 5 These loves so deep, so cherished, That gave to life its light,
 Oh, have they, have they perished In the grave's long, gloomy night?
 No! they live, more brightly glowing Than in their earthly prime,
 Still brighter, stronger growing
 - With the lapse of endless time!





- 66. GARDEN OF THE HEART.
 2 SO in hours of deepest gloom, When the springs of gladness fail, And the roses in their bloom Droop like maidens wan and pale, We shall find some hope that lies Like a silent germ apart, Hidden far from careless eyes In the garden of the heart;
- 3 Some sweet hope to gladness wed, That will spring afresh and new, When grief's winter shall have fled, Giving place to sun and dew; Some sweet hope that breathes of spring, Through the weary, weary time, Budding for its blossoming, In the spirit's silent clime.

67.

LONG AGO.

- THERE are moments in our life, When are hushed its scenes of strife; When, from busy toil set free, Mind goes back the past to see: Mem'ry, with its mighty powers, Brings to view our childhood hours; And with never-ceasing flow Come the hours of long ago.
- 2 Oft when troubled and perplexed, Worn in heart and sorely vexed, Almost sinking 'neath our load, Famishing on life's high-road, — How hath sweet remembrance caught From the past some happy thought, And, refreshed, we on would go, Cheered with hopes from long ago!



- I N darker days and nights of storm, Men knew thee but to fear thy form, And in the reddest lightnings saw Thine arm avenge insulted law.
- 2 In brighter days we read thy love In flowers beneath, in stars above; And, in the track of every storm, Behold thy beauty's rainbow form.
- 3 E'en in the reddest lightning's path We see no vestiges of wrath, But always wisdom, — perfect love, From flowers below to stars above.
- 4 See, from on high sweet influence rains On palace, cottage, mountains, plains; No hour of wrath shall mortals fear, For pure angelic love is here.

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² O^{H!} thou stern old Rock, in the ages past, Thy brow was bleached by the warring blast, 3 Ever rest, old Rock, on the sea-beat shore; Thy sires are lulled by the breakers' roar; 'Twas here that first their hymns were heard

But thy wintry toil with the wave is o'er, And the billows beat thy base no more; Yet countless as thy sands, old Rock, Are the hardy sons of the Pilgrim stock, And the Tree they reared in the days gone by, It lives, it lives, and ne'er shall die. Ever rest, old Rock, on the sea-beat shore; Thy sires are lulled by the breakers' roar; 'Twas here that first their hymns were heard, O'er the startled cry of the ocean bird; 'Twas here they lived, 'twas here they died; Their forms repose on the green hill's side, But the tree they reared in the days gone by, It lives, it lives, and ne'er shall die. The Spiritual Harp.





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Baby says, like little birdie, "Let me rise and fly away." Baby, sleep a little longer, Till the little limbs are stronger. If she sleeps a little longer, Then she'll fly away.

77. WATCH, MOTHER.*
MOTHER! watch the little feet Climbing o'er the garden wall, Roaming through the busy street, Ranging cellar, shed, and hall. Never count the moments lost, Never mind the work they cost; Little feet will go astray, Guide them while you may.

* Observe small notes with this piece.

- Mother! watch the little hand Picking berries by the way, Making houses in the sand, Tossing up the fragrant hay. Never dare the question ask, "Why to me this heavy task?" These same little hands may prove Messengers of love.
- 3 Mother! watch the little heart Beating soft and warm for you; Wholesome lessons now impart, Keep, oh, keep that young heart true, Extricating every weed, Sowing good and precious seed! Harvest then as rich as gold Gather hundred-fold.

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Justice from Freedom's height!

Love-waves of pure delight!

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I AM NOT OLD.







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88. HEAVENLY DAY. ² A^{ND} , 'mid the splendors of the noon, When od'rous winds are hushed and calm, Or murm'ring in a slumb'rous tune, I feel soft hands of blessed balm; And softer voices whisper me, "O child of sorrow, care, and pain, Be tranquil on life's stormy sea, We watch, and guide to heaven again." 3 And when the shadowy night descends, And folds her wings above the earth, The souls of dear, departed friends Will mingle in my grief and mirth; In hours of waking and in dream, Through all the night and all the day, They, by their angel-plumage gleam, Lead me to truth, and light the way.

89. Something Still to do. 1 MHOUGH sunny day has nearly past, Repose not down with idle hands, But labor while the hours shall last, While flowing are life's golden sands; For life is changeful, ever brief; Oh, then improve each fleeting span, Turning each day some brighter leaf, And measure time by deeds to man. 2 Knowest thou not some burdened soul That's fettered by disease and pain? Direct him to the heavenly goal, Bidding him rise and strive again. Knowest thou not a drooping heart, Sinking beneath misfortune's blight? Go thou, and friendship's warmth impart, And give to him a ray of light.

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90.

"WAITING, ONLY WAITING."

- I AM waiting, only waiting, For the dawning of the day, When the joys of life relating, I shall walk the heav'nly way; Then, no longer sadly waiting, I shall sound the joyful lay; Then, no longer sadly waiting, I shall sound the joyful lay.
- 2 I am waiting, hoping, trusting, That the future fair and bright, Ev'ry wrong and ill adjusting, Shall announce the rule of right; Then, no longer sadly waiting, I shall see the joyful sight; Then, no longer sadly waiting, I shall see the joyful sight.
- 3 I am waiting in the twilight Of a morning yet to be,
 When upon my fading eyesight Angel forms shall come to me; Then, no longer sadly waiting, Heav'nly glories I shall see; Then, no longer sadly waiting, Heav'nly glories I shall see.
- 4 Thus we all through life are waiting For the coming of the morn, When, life's pleasure reinstating, We shall be as angels born; Then, no longer sadly waiting, We shall hail the glorious dawn; Then, no longer sadly waiting, We shall hail the glorious dawn.



- I HUSH! I cannot bear to see thee Stretch thy tiny hands in vain;
 Dear, I have no bread to give thee, Nothing, child, to ease thy pain!
 When God sent thee first to bless me, Proud, and thankful, too, was I.
 Now, my darling, I, thy mother, Almost long to see thee die. Sleep, my darling, thou art weary;
- God is good, but life is dreary.
 2 I have watched thy beauty fading, And thy strength sink day by day; Soon, I know, will want and fever Take thy little life away.
 Famine makes thy father reckless; Hope hath left both him and me; We could suffer all, my baby,
 - Had we but a crust for thee. Sleep, my darling, thou art weary; God is good, but life is dreary.

3 Better thou shouldst go thus early, Starve so soon, my darling one, Than in helpless sin and sorrow Vainly live as I have done. Better that thy angel-spirit With my joy, my peace, were flown, Than thy heart grow cold and careless, Reckless, hopeless, like my own. Sleep, my darling, thou art weary; God is good, but life is dreary. 4 I have wasted, dear, with hunger, And my brain is all opprest; I have scarcely strength to press thee, Wan and feeble to my breast. Patience, baby, God will help us; Death will come to thee and me; He will take us to his heaven, Where no want or pain can be. Sleep, my darling, thou art weary,

God is good, but life is dreary.

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CRADLE SONG OF THE POOR. Concluded.



Fearful hearts, they quell your fears;
 And with deepest consolation
 Chase away the falling tears;
 Tender heralds, tender heralds,
 Blest is he their word who hears!

Waiting spirits! speed your way, Hasten to the court of heaven, Tidings bear without delay, That our spirits, that our spirits, Glad the message may obey.

REAPING.



REAPING.

93.

 I UP, mortal, and act while the angel of light Melts the shadows before and behind thee! Shake off the soft dreams that encumber thy might, And burst the dark fetters that bind thee! Soars the skylark, soar thou; leaps the stream, do thou leap; Learn from Nature the splendor of action; Plough, harrow, and sow, or thou never shalt reap; Faithful deed brings divine benefaction.
 2 The red sun has rolled himself into the blue, And hath lifted the mists from the mountain; The young hares are feasting on nectar of dew, The stag cools his lips in the fountain, And the blackbird's sweet glee rises from the deep elm, The river is sparkling and leaping, The wild bee is fencing the sweets of his realm, And the mighty-limbed reapers are reaping.
 3 To spring comes the bud, and to summer, the blush, And to autumn, the happy fruition; To winter, repose, meditation, and hush; And to man, ev'ry season's condition. Lo! he lives, buds, and blooms both in action and rest,

As a thinker and actor and sleeper,

Then withers and wavers, chin drooping on breast, And is reaped by the hand of a reaper!



- PEACE! the welcome sound proclaim, Dwell with rapture on the theme; Loud, still louder, swell the strain, "Peace on earth, good-will to men!"
- And its inspirations feel, Loud, still louder swell the strain,
- "Peace on earth, good-will to men!"




THE SPIRIT ARTIST.



98. THE SPIRIT ARTIST.
2 HANDS whose glad clasp we greet, Cheeks carmine dyed, Hearts whose warm pulses beat Love's gushing tide, Bosoms that overflow, Tongues ever true, Souls where warm friendships glow, Songs ever new.
3 They are not lost to us; Death's gloomy pall

- Hides but their earthly dust; Them we recall! Over the eidolon's Measureless tide Still smile the loving ones From farther side.
- 4 Touched by a mortal hand, Guided by one
 Of a blest angel-band Bright as the sun,
 Ever they lift the veil That hangs between,
 And from the canvas pale Smile they serene.

- 5 Oh, ever glorious art, Undreamed before,
 Glad'ning the mourning heart For evermore !
 Forms that have passed away, Bringing regret,
 Smile on us still to-day; We see them yet.
- 99. SONG-BIRD OF THE SPIRIT LAND.
 - I BIRD of the brighter land, Unbar thy notes;
 Over the spirit-strand Melody floats;
 Singing in happy band, Come from on high;
 Angel-bird, angel-bird, Welcome is nigh.
 2 Bird of the realm of flowers, Come, let us hear
 - Come, let us near Songs from the spirit bowers, Giving good cheer, Charming our weary hours, Where'er we roam, Angel-bird, angel-bird, Sing of our home.



- Angel-bird, angel-bird, Loud swell the strain.
- 4 Bird of the higher life, Sing to the throngs, Make the earth's welkin rife With heavenly songs, Quelling all mortal strife, Peaceful as love, Angel-bird, angel-bird, Guide us above.

- Crowning hill-top, gilding valleys, In the merry summer days.
- 2 Oh, the merry summer days! When the woods with life abound, Warbling birds with joyous lays Pour a flood of music round, Now a tender little love-song, Then a lofty burst of praise; All unite to swell the chorus In the merry summer days.





2 Ever an angel walks, With eyes cast meekly down,

- While from the leaves and withered stalks She weaves my fitting crown.
- 4 Angel! behold, I wait, Crowned for life's weary hours,— Wait till thy hand shall ope the gate And change the thorns to flowers.



105. PORTAL OF HEAVEN.

- I SWEET darling of the mother's heart! Look forth from out thy heaven, And tell her with thy starry eyes, Thy presence still is given; Look forth! and tell her God is great, That he has opened heaven's gate!
- 2 Fair maiden! fading in thy spring, Laid darkly in the tomb,
 Beam like a star from thy bright home, Or flower in summer bloom;
 Beam out! and say that God is great, That he has opened heaven's gate!
- 3 Loved mother! passing into night, To leave thy darkened hearth, A shadow resting in thy place, For those thou left on earth,
 - Look down! and say that God is great, That thou dost wait at heaven's gate!

4 Young bride! grown sudden chill and cold, To one who loved thee well,

Who keeps thee treasured in his heart, Still binding with a spell,

Burst forth! and teach that God is great, And pass to him through heaven's gate!

106. BEAUTY OF HEART.

- THE sun may warm the grass to life;
 The dew, the drooping flower;
 And eyes grow bright and watch the light Of autumn's opening hour;
 But loving smiles are far more true, And brighter than the morning dew.
- 2 It is not much the world can give, With all its subtile art;
 And gold and gems are not the things To beautify the heart;

But tenderness of angel-love

That glows within like heaven above.





- That spans the flowing tide, Doth bridge the way to that bright home, From earth to angels' side.
- 2 On us the tempest-cloud below Falls stormy fatal breath, But those who cross that shining bow
 - Have no more pain or death.
- 3 Built there by strong immortal hands From showers of love and tears, All beautiful the archway stands Through silent lapse of years.
- 4 O spirit-friends ! we're nearing fast Your home on the fair shore, We'll cross the rainbow bridge at last And live for evermore.



HEAVENLY UNION.

How beautiful through banks of green,

While dimpling eddies play between!



Two souls one life, two hearts one love,

As sweet and pure as heav'n above.



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114.

CROWN THE PROPHET.

- NOT in vain the large-eyed prophets Saw the days of evil told, Heard the anthems of the nations From the harps of Freedom rolled.
 Who can mock their glorious visions? Hark! already ev'ry hour
 Falls some chain, and man arises To his natural, sacred power.
- Mercy walks with broader symbols; Justice lifts a stronger hand; Love tends more and more her flowers, Sown by God in ev'ry land.
 - Science more and more is breaking All the olden mystic bars, Stands on mountain-tops and waves her Rod amid the vassal stars.
- 3 Art is grander, brighter growing; Ev'ry moment is her shrine At the will of thought's true angels Beaming more and more divine.

Nations, lift, lift your Triumphal, Lamped no more by wavering moon; Crowd the temples; crown the prophets; Not in vain they sung the noon.

115. NATURE'S LESSONS.

- SUMMER in the lap of autumn Pours her rich and golden store; Bursting buds proclaim the spring-time, When the winter storm is o'er. So upon life's toilsome journey, Like the circling round of years, We may trace the deep emotions Moving us to smiles and tears.
 Grandly Nature tells her story, As the seasons glide along, Full of symbols, hints, and warnings, That to every age belong. Hers a quaint and ponderous volume; Every page is lettered o'er;
 - Such as this needs no revising ; Earnestly its truth explore.

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ARGOSIES OF LIFE.

- I HOW many lonely hours we see While journeying along ! How many days when griefs and tears Hush the sweet lips of song ! How many times the breaking heart, A weary, wounded dove, Tiring of ev'rything on earth, Implores angelic love !
 2 What holy peace, what quiet cheer,
- Those silent angels bring ! Rejoicing in their ministries, Our souls vault up and sing. We see the beauteous summer land With bowers of fadeless green, And melting hills and banks of flowers, With singing streams between.
- 3 Then what are argosies of clouds, If light break sweetly through? And what are all earth's cumb'ring cares, With heaven, our home, in view? Our fading hopes bloom fresh again, Our weary hands grow strong, While spirits lovingly declare We shall not suffer long.
 4 Balm-bearers from the better land, Stand ve along our way.
 - Stand ye along our way, And purify us from all sin By your angelic sway. And when the fennel's bitter leaf Dips o'er our goblet's brim, Still let us in our darkest hours
 - Hope on, though sad our hymn.

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117. How to Live.
² BE thou in truthfulness arrayed; Hold up to earth thy torch divine! Be what thou prayest to be made; Let steps of charity be thine! Fill up each hour with what will last; Buy up the moments as they go: The life above, when this is past, Is the ripe fruit of life below.

3 Sow truth if thou the truth wouldst reap; Who sows the false shall reap the vain; Erect and sound thy conscience keep; From hollow words and deeds refrain. Sow love, and taste its fruitage pure; Sow peace, and reap its harvest bright; Sow sunbeams on the rock and moor, And find a harvest-home of light.

118. SUN OF TRUTH.

- ^I O RADIANT Sun of Truth divine, Thy rays through boundless nature shine; And from the earth in glory rise, To meet the brightness of the skies. Wide let thy glory be displayed, In one bright day, without a shade, And thus may we supremely prove The nameless, endless joys of love.
- 2 Be darkness known on earth no more, But truth dispensed from shore to shore, Till men of ev'ry land shall see Its glorious brightness, and be free. 'Tis done! the Sun of Truth appears! The shades withdraw, the morning clears! Its rays flow over land and main, And one eternal day shall reign!

PROPHET.











From the great people's heart resounding? See ye the light that is abroad,

Proud rulers of the earth confounding? Our world is waking from her dream, To snap her creed-forged chains asunder, Shouting with voice of fire and steam Deep chorus of progressive thunder.

2 Weak hearts may falter in the shade, May count the gloom of buried ages, But live men will not be dismayed, By phantoms dug from dusty pages.
The living, not the dead, are ours, [us, Whose voices blend through death to cheer
While heaven reveals the human flowers That bloom upon her borders near us. Earth's song of peace is on our tongue; Archangels lean from heaven to hear it; Mind is our king whose name is sung In deeds, and tyrants must revere it.

Strong arms that share our common bur-

126. THE HEART'S DEAD.

2 GRAY ocean heaves and heaves,

Rolls, rolls on the sand;

And the blasted limb of the churchyard tree Solemn shakes like ghostly hand.

[us, 3 Silent the dead are there,

'Neath grassy wild waves;

But we have more dead in our hearts to-day Than the earth in all her graves.





LIFE'S SUNNY SEAS.

- I I'M sailing o'er life's sunny seas;
 I'm sailing 'neath bright cloudless skies;
 And with such guards and lights as these,
 How swift each golden moment flies!
 My heart is light, my glance is bright,
 While crowned with joy the fleet hours are;
 In light canoe o'er billows blue,
 I'm gliding to a land afar!
- 2 I've launched my bark from sullen shores, Where angry waves have lashed her sides, And far from surge and rush and roar, I float along on peaceful tides. Chorus.
- 3 There greets me now a spirit-hand, And borne along on gentle breeze,
 - I catch the sweets of fairy-land That woo me over sunny seas! *Chorus.*

130. WHEN LAUGHING JOY.

I WHEN laughing joy makes glad our way, And mirth invites to harmless play, More fair than eve's bright stars appear, Our angel guards are hov'ring near.

They hover near, they hover near, Our angel guards are hov'ring near, More fair than eve's bright stars appear, Our angel guards are hov'ring near.

- 2 When dark despair doth rule the hour And make us feel its gloomy power, Our guardians come in sympathy To set us from our bondage free. *Chorus*.
- 3 With blessings to each earthly home, These messengers of heaven come, Inspiring thoughts of higher life, Free from all sorrow, fear, and strife. *Chorus*.



- 1 WE give you joyous greeting, Friends of our noble cause, Who have lit the torch of reason By light of nature's laws; We give you joyous greeting, Ye toilers in the field, Who, the right with patient working, Will never justice yield.
- 2 We give you joyous greeting, Workers so bold, so free, To unite your scattered forces In ranks of harmony; We give you joyous greeting, Inspired with powers above To demolish ancient error By might of truth and love.

- I JUIS bright where'er the heart is; Chain nor a dungeon dim Ne'er can check the mind's aspirings, Or spirit's pealing hymn; The heart gives life its beauty, Its glory and its power;
 - It is sunlight to its rippling, And soft dew to its flower.
- 2 Sweet is the summer nectar, Circling around the rose, But far sweeter where the heart is Imparting calm repose; Oh, welcome its kind pulsing To soothe thy troubled breast; Ever keep the love that nestles Therein a sunny guest.



Shall love to man impart!

These things shall never die.





137.

MAKE HOME PLEASANT.

¹ MORE than building showy mansions, More than dress or fine array, More than dome of lofty steeples, More than station, power, sway; Make your home both neat and tasteful, Bright and pleasant, always fair, Where each heart shall rest contented,

Grateful for each beauty there.

2 More than lofty, swelling titles, More than fashion's luring glare, More than mammon's gilded honors, More than thought can well compare; See that home is made attractive, By surroundings pure and bright, Trees arranged with taste and order, Flowers with all their sweet delight.

3 Seek to make your home most lovely, Let it be a smiling spot,

- Where, in sweet contentment resting, Care and sorrow are forgot;
- Where the flowers and trees are waving, Birds will sing their sweetest song, Where the purest thoughts will linger,
- Confidence and love belong.
- 4 There each heart will rest contented, Seldom wishing e'er to roam, Or, if roaming, still will cherish Mem'ries of that pleasant home;
 - Such a home makes man the better, Sweet and lasting its control;
 - Home, with pure and bright surroundings. Leaves an impress on the soul.

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138.

VOYAGE OF LIFE.

¹ O^H, guide thy bark with care, my child! A thousand dangers hide Along the current, now so mild, Whose river thou must ride; And golden lights will dance anon,

To lure thee from thy way;

- Oh, heed them not; push on! push on! And tell thy tempters, Nay.
- 2 Oh, guide thy bark with care, my child! These dangers cannot harm, While thou dost keep thy soul unguiled,
 - Thy feelings pure and warm. The world may threaten, keep thy boat Straight, where thine angel becks;
 - Push on! push on! and thou shalt float Safe, 'mid a thousand wrecks.

- 3 Oh, guide thy bark with care, my child! The waves will oft run high, And storms will rage around thee wild, And night will hide the sky.
 - But do not quit the helm, my boy; Hold on! hold on! hold on! No hurricane can thee destroy,
 - Until thy work is done.
- 4 Clouds may shut in like shrouds of death, Loud breakers at thy bow; But courage and a manly faith Will save thee even now;
 - These twain will part the clouds, and free, And show the dawning day;
 - Push on! a voice shall speak to thee, And point thee out thy way.



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² THEN the cast-off vestments flinging In the silent, darksome tomb,

Up in joy the spirit springing, Radiant stands, in fadeless bloom. All earth's pains and troubles leaving, All its mocking, tinsel glare, Upward floating, softly cleaving, Cleaving still the crystal air.

RELEASED.

3 To our Father's home returning, From the brief sojourn on earth,
While ten thousand seraphs burning, Chant the spirit's higher birth.
Then the spirit's view shall widen, And its aspirations rise,
And deep truths that long lay hidden Shall rejoice the longing eyes.

140. WOUND NOT THE HEART.

- ^I D^O not wound the heart that loves thee, Do not cause it needless pain,
 - For the heart that once is blighted, Like the rose, ne'er blooms again;
 - It may seem a goodly flower, And awhile delight the eye, But there is a secret anguish, That will cause it soon to die.
- 2 Do not wound the heart that loves thee, Bid it live beneath thy smile; Ever cause it to be happy,
 - And its darkest hours beguile;
 - If thy blessing will give pleasure To the heart that leans on thee,
 - It will prove a priceless treasure, When thy summer friends shall flee.



Thou art love and love alone.

Thou to us be all in all.



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- YEARNINGS.
- I FROM us pass daily those we fondly love Down to the realms that in deep silence lie: [move We watch them as their dear forms dimly
 - Adown death's vale till lost to mortal eye.
- Which brightens here our devious mortal path,
 - Still guides their feet with steady, kindly beam.
 - As tremblingly they tread the vale of death.

13 Yet fain our eyes would catch, athwart the gloom,

The radiance of their forms beatified,

- Some rays of glory that those shores illume That lie so peaceful on the "other side."
- 2 We know 'tis well; that light of love supreme, 4 Our love, our faith, our hopes, our fears, our grief.

Now burst the veil that darkly intervenes, And in this rapturous vision find relief,

The loved commingling in heaven's blissful scenes.



- The blood-stained conqueror. 3 To history's blazoned page Touch the pure wand of truth,
- 4 So shall the seeds of hate Be strangled in their birth, And peace, the angel of thy love, Rule o'er th' enfranchised earth.



GOD IN THE SOUL. 2 WITHIN the heart's most deep recess,

Where holiest thoughts arise,

And sacred loves flow out to bless

There is thine altar, there we bring,

3 Thy golden threads of light and love,

Within life's endless web are wove,

'Tis meet we should adore thee thus,

The world and upper skies,

With an adoring throng, Our heart-felt offerings and sing

Our ever grateful song.

Thy gems of purest joy,

That time cannot destroy.

When by this light we see

Thy life of life, innate in us,

And all our lives in thee.

PASSAGE HOME.

- I \bigcap H, sweetly sinks this life of ours, Through age's cloudy bars;
 - A fading flush on hill and sky, And lo, the world of stars!
 - We bless thee, gracious God, for birth, By which we hither come;
 - We bless thee for the gate of death, The good man's passage home.
- 2 We bless thee for the heart to feel, And for the eye to see;
 - For faith that reaches over time And grasps eternity.
 - Oh, softly fades this life of ours, Through age's silver bars;
 - A tender flush on hill and sky, And lo, the world of stars!



- 2 HERE doth the wild deer feed, and lave His graceful limbs beneath thy wave; In stately form and conscious pride, The wild fowls on thy bosom ride, And whippoorwill sings pensive song Mid thy fair groves, fair Washtenong.
- 3 Here bark canoes that once did rest Upon thy bosom's placid breast Have floated down time's trackless shore,

WASHTENONG.

A name they've left, but nothing more. Methinks the Indian maiden's song Laments for thee, fair Washtenong.

4 Here wandered redman free as air, O'er stream and valley ev'rywhere; But ploughman now turns sacred sod Where forest kings have ever trod, Whose last sad echoing is a song, Revealing love for Washtenong.



The Spiritual Harp.



152.

JOY IN GRIEF.

- ^I O^{H} , come, gentle peace, from thy heaven descend, To sorrows of mortals thy pity lend; O'er wounds of earth's stricken ones pour thy balm, And strengthen their souls with thy sacred charm; Oh, come, gentle peace, with thy sweet relief; Soothe the sad soul with thy joy in grief.
- 2 Oh, come to the call of the captive lone; Thou only canst stifle his heavy moan; But faith doth abide, and a joy most rare, In hearts of the sad, when peace dwelleth there. Chorus.
- 3 All bitter repinings shall flee away From souls that in meekness e'er own thy sway; Dim doubts and dark fears in thy presence yield, And bow to the power that thy wand doth wield. Chorus.
- 4 Oh, hover, sweet peace, round the couch of pain, And soothe the last hours that to life remain; E'er turn the dim eyes to that country blest Where none shall seek vainly thy holy rest. Chorus.



JOY SHALL COME AT LAST.

- 2 STRIVING still, and onward pressing, Seek not future years to know, But deserve the wished-for blessing; It shall come, though it be slow; Never tiring, upward gazing, Let thy fears aside be cast, And thy trials tempting, bearing, Doubt not joy shall come at last.
- 3 Keep not, then, thy mind regretting; Seek the good, spurn evil's thrall; Though thy foes thy path besetting, Thou shalt triumph o'er them all; Though each year but bring thee sadness, And thy youth be fleeting past, There'll be time enough for gladness, Doubt not joy shall come at last.


STEPS OF PROGRESS.

154.

I STEP forward, dear friends, and keep time with the truth! Be manly as men in the ardor of youth; Step forward, not backward, nor ever aside, At bidding of custom, ambition, or pride; Step boldly, but truly, erectly and well; The fruit of your labors the future will tell, If you are but faithful, and never despair, But live for the truth, and its glory declare.

- 2 Step forward, dear friends, and keep time with the right Leave error behind you, like angels of light;
 Step firmly but gently, nor even in ire;
 The bush on Mount Horeb burned not in the fire!
 Step onward and upward; what others have done But opens the way to fresh labors begun;
 Oh, learn the great truth that the right shall prevail;
 If you will but step, all oppression shall fail!
- 3 Step forward, dear friends, and keep time with the good That cometh to you in your loftiest mood; Step gently, but nobly, on errands of peace, Till slavery, warfare, and hatred shall cease; Step truly and firmly and boldly, but light! Ne'er crushing a worm by your cautionless might; Step kindly, but step, and you'll surely proceed; The true and the right and the good will succeed.



And with light my being fill.

Falls the darkness; oh, how still Is the working of his will! 109







BLESSINGS OF TRIALS.

- WEEP not! God's angel now is standing by us; Our tears will blind us to the blessed sight;
 Doubt not such love in darkness sent to try us; For soon shall pour the heaven's eternal light!
 - Faint not! 'tis Love whose heavy burdens bind us, Girding our souls a higher joy to share; Life's selfish ways must all be left behind us; We shall be braver for the past despair.
- 2 Oh, not in loss shall be our journey's ending! Sin with its fears shall leave us at the last;
 All our best hopes in glad fulfilment blending, Shall dawn so golden when the death is past!
 Come, O Divine! for hard the trials pressing
 - On our frail hearts that bleed at every pore; Securely lead us to the constant blessing

Of Love's pure fountain in the evermore!

Harmonies for Various Occasions.





LIVE THEM DOWN.

² THOUGH to vice thou shalt not pander, Though to virtue thou shalt kneel, Yet thou shalt endure the slander,

And its woes thy soul must feel; Jest of witling, curse of clown; Heed not either! Live them down.



3 Hate may wield her scourges horrid; Malice may thy pain deride; Scorn may bind with thorns thy forehead; Envy's spear may pierce thy side!

Lo! through cross shall come the crown; Fear not foeman! Live them down!









TEMPERANCE SONG FOR CHILDREN.

- ² HIS hand in beauty gives Each flower and plant that lives, Each sunny rill;
 Springs! which our footsteps meet, Fountains! our lips to greet,
 Waters! whose taste is sweet, On rock and hill.
- 3 Each summer bird that sings Drinks from dear Nature's springs Her early dew; And the refreshing shower Falls on each herb and flower, Giving it life and power, Fragrant and new.

4 So let each faithful child Drink of this fountain m

- Drink of this fountain mild, From early youth. Then shall the song we raise Be heard in future days; Ours be the pleasant ways Of peace and truth.
- 5 Now let each heart and hand, Of all this youthful band, United, move !
 Till on the mountain's brow, And in the vale below, Our land may ever glow With peace and love.



HASTE NOT! REST NOT! Continued.



Who mak'st our ev'ry tribulation thine,

Such light hast thou in earth's dim atmosphere,

How must thy seat in heaven exalted shine!

Where on thy brow the crown of am'ranth gleams, And in thy hand the golden key of peace!

cease!

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2 \bigcap UR crosses are many, our crowns are but 3 We garner our treasures, our jewels so bright, few:

And our loss is much more than our gain; We turn from the substance, and shadows pursue,

Till we find that our life has been vain.

While close pressed with trouble, with sorrow and sin,

We lift up our souls for the light to come in; Oh, heaven, sweet heaven, we are dreaming Oh, when shall we ever get there? [of thee!] And we worship our idols of clay:

But Death steals within, like "a thief in the night,"

And he filches our jewels away.

But there's a happy bourn waiting the soul,

- Where Death will give back all the jewels he stole;
- Oh, heaven, sweet heaven, we are dreaming of thee!
- Oh, when shall we ever get there?



FAMILY MEETING IN HEAVEN.

- 3 I have dear children in the spirit-land,
- I have dear children in the spirit-land; And when they call me, I must go To meet them in the spirit-land.
 - I'll away, I'll away to the spirit-land, I'll away, I'll away to the spirit-land, And when they call me, I must go To meet them in the spirit-land.
 - 4 Yes, I shall meet them in the spirit-land, Yes, I shall meet them in the spirit-land, And clasp their hands, a joyous band, In gardens of the spirit-land. I'll away, I'll away to the spirit-land, I'll away, I'll away to the spirit-land,
 - And clasp their hands, a joyous band, In gardens of the spirit-land.

I HAVE a father in the spirit-land, I have a father in the spirit-land; My father calls me, I must go

- To meet him in the spirit-land. I'll away, I'll away to the spirit-land, I'll away, I'll away to the spirit-land; My father calls me, I must go To meet him in the spirit-land.
- 2 I have a mother in the spirit-land,
 I have a mother in the spirit-land;
 My mother calls me, I must go
 To meet her in the spirit-land.
 I'll away, I'll away to the spirit-land,
 I'll away, I'll away to the spirit-land;
 - My mother calls me, I must go To meet her in the spirit-land.



² BREAK the bread of consolation to the souls oppressed with care; Ever in our Father's mansions there is bread enough to spare; Surely, none need faint with hunger, while we have such blessed fare, As we go marching on.

Chorus.

3 Bind we up the broken-hearted, and confirm the feeble knees, For the kingdom has been opened to the least of such as these, And we need not ask St. Peter to be ready with his keys,

As we go marching on.

Chorus.

4 Set the little children marching with their banners in their hands; Gently drill them into service with the brave old veteran bands, Till the tramping of our army shall be heard in distant lands,

As we go marching on.

Chorus.

5 Deepest thunders of Progression are now shaking tyrants' thrones; For the breath of inspiration wakes "the valley of dry bones;" And the ancient altars crumble while the "King of terror" groans, As we go marching on.

Chorus.

6 Shout we then our loud hosannas to the land beyond the sea, Till the people of all nations shall be through the truth made free, And shall join the swelling chorus in our song of jubilee,

As we go marching on.

Chorus.

HOME ABOVE.









With mine that laughed in glee, Oh, how the pearly tear-drop starts With longings to be free!

- Oh, ask me not to longer stay, Bid me no longer roam, Along my weary, weary way, But rise into my home.
- 3 Music soft, music sweet,
 Is stealing on my ear,
 And oh! the sound of angel feet
 Is drawing, drawing near.
 Oh, the sweet fragrance of this breath,
 That bears me o'er the wave!
 - Where is thy sting, O welcome death? Thy victory, O grave?



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- 174. REST FOR THE LOST ONES.
- **I** \bigcap ANGEL of the land of peace,
- When wilt thou ever come for me?
 I fain would be where sorrows cease;
 I dread no more thy kind release.
 I wait for thee.
- 2 Sleep shuns mine eyes; mine inner sight Is turning dimly heavenward, To that fair land of love and light, Where spirits all the silent night Earth's loved ones guard.
- 3 My yearning soul would fain demand, O holy angel pure and blest, Where 'mid yon happy, shining band, In all the heavenly father-land, My lost ones rest!
- 4 For thou, with sweet and loving smile, Didst gently lure them to thy breast, And bear them from this world of guile, Thy sweet, pure angel lips the while Upon them prest.
- 5 Dark grew my soul, till down the air Thy seraph-smile upon me fell! And then I knew, from sin and care,

That thou my little ones didst bear With God to dwell!

- 6 O angel of the land of peace, When wilt thou ever come for me?
 I fain would be where sorrows cease;
 I dread no more thy kind release.
 I wait for thee!
 - I wait for the
- 175. THE SEA OF LIFE.
- I FAR out, where sky and ocean run To one fine line of light and foam, Our souls, aflash with heaven's bright sun, Are happy vessels bounding home To our blest home!
- 2 On earth, things weary seem and worn, Our eyes are stained with dust and tears; But there, where holy hopes are born, How firm and lovely life appears In our blest home!
- 3 What storms and perils hardly passed! What days of doubt and nights of fear! How strained the hearts that now, at last, Draw nearer home, and still more near Our own dear home!



STAND FIRM.

2 STAND we firm in that dread moment, Stand we firm, nor shrink away; Looking boldly through the darkness, Wait the coming of the day; Gath'ring strength while we are waiting For the conflict yet to come; Fear not, fail not, light will lead us Yet in safety to our home. 3 Firmly stand, though sirens lure us; Firmly stand, though falsehood rail, Holding justice, truth, and mercy; Die we may, but cannot fail. Fail! it is the word of cowards; Fail! the language of the slave; Firmly stand, till duty beckons; Conquer e'en the shadowy grave. 177. THE CRUSE THAT FAILETH NOT. I TS thy cruse of comfort wasting? Rise and share it with thy friend; And through all the years of famine There will be enough to spend.

Love divine may fill thy storehouse, Or thy handful still renew; Scanty fare for one will often Make a royal feast for two.

- 2 For the heart grows rich in giving; All its wealth is living grain, Seeds which mildew in the garner, Scattered, fill with gold the plain.
 - Is thy burden hard and heavy? Do thy steps drag wearily? Help to bear thy brother's burden; Angels bear both it and thee!
- 3 Numb and weary on the mountains Wouldst thou sleep amid the snow? Chafe that frozen form beside thee, And together both shall glow. Art thou stricken in life's battle? Many wounded round thee mourn;
 - Lavish on their wounds thy balsam, And that balm shall heal thine own.



THE TEMPERANCE BALL IS ROLLING.

- I THE Temp'rance Ball is rolling, And the knell of vice is tolling, As the Power Divine comes grandly Rolling, rolling, rolling on.
- 2 A mighty surging ocean Is this great and vast commotion, [ing, When the Temp'rance Bomb comes bound-And our cause goes rolling on.
- 3 It shall fill up all your rum holes; It shall shake up all your numb souls; All humanity shall hail it, As it goes rolling on.
- 4 Angel hosts now cheer it daily, Human voices shouting gayly, While our noble work brings blessing, As it goes rolling on.
- 5 Soon the thousands yet delaying, In the haunts of evil straying, Shall swell the Temp'rance triumph, And with it go rolling on.
- 6 So the Temp'rance Ball goes humming, And the glad "good time" is coming, To light up all the ages, While our cause goes rolling on.

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179.

- LO, in our heavenly Father's house Are many mansions true,
 And each shall find his spirit's own With fruits of love, or hates o'ergrown, As each doth here pursue.
- 2 Each soul must seek its kindred kind, Of gross or pure desire;
 All selfish lusts, and passions vile, Whatever doth the soul defile, Still feed its cankering fire.

MANSIONS.

- 3 But those of sweeter, holier loves The balmy life shall breathe Of joy from wisdom's lofty throne, Whose wondrous glory, shining down, Doth glory more inwreathe.
- 4 O Father, teach us thy pure truth, And fill us with thy love, That we may find our resting-place, With holy ones of every race, In thy pure climes above.



- I SOME one has gone from this strange world of ours, No more to gather its thorns with its flowers, No more to linger where sunbeams, inust fade, Where, on all beauty, death's fingers are laid; Weary with mingling life's bitter and sweet, Weary with parting, though soon we shall meet, Some one has gone to the bright golden shore; Ring the bell softly, there's one gone before!
- 2 Some one is resting from sorrow and sin, Happy where earth's conflicts enter not in; Joyous as birds, when the morning is bright, When the sweet sunbeams have brought us their light, Weary with sowing in sorrow to reap, Weary with labor, and welcoming sleep, Some one's departed for heaven's bright shore; Ring the bell softly, there's one gone before 1
- 3 Angels were anxiously longing to meet One who walks with them in heaven's bright street; Loved ones have whispered that some one is blest; Free from earth's trials, and taking sweet rest; Yes! there is one more in angelic bliss, One more to cherish, and one more to kiss; One more departed to heaven's bright shore; Ring the bell softly, there's one gone before!

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181.

Do Good.

^I D^O good! do good! there is ever a way, A way where there's ever a will; Don't wait till to-morrow, but do it to-day, And to-day when to-morrow comes still. If you've money, you're armed, and can find work enough

In every street and lane. [though rough. If you've bread, cast it off, and the waters, Will be sure to return it again.

- 2 If you've any old clothes, an old bonnet or hat, A kind word, or a smile true and soft,
 - In the name of a brother coffer it, and that Shall be counted as gold up aloft.
 - God careth for all, and his glorious sun Shines alike on the rich and the poor;
 - Be thou like him and bless ev'ry one, ev'ry You will find your reward evermore. [one *Chorus*.

^{*} Observe ties when singing first stanza.





THE WELCOME BACK.

- ^I SWEET is the hour that brings us home, Where all will spring to meet us, Where bands are striving, as we come,
 - To be the first to greet us. [wrath, When the world hath spent its frowns and And care has been sorely pressing,
 - 'Tis sweet to turn from our roving path, And find a fireside blessing.
 - Oh, joyfully dear is our homeward track, If we are but sure of a welcome back.

2 What do we reck on dreary way, Though lonely and benighted,

If there are lips to chide our stay, And eyes that beam love-lighted?

What's the worth of brilliant diamond glow To glances that flash with pleasure?

By words that welcome us back, we know We form the heart's chief treasure.

Oh, joyfully dear is our homeward track, If we are but sure of a welcome back. 183. SHALL WE MEET BEYOND THE RIVER?

- ^I SHALL we meet beyond the river, Where the surges cease to roll, Where, in all the bright forever, Sorrow ne'er shall press the soul? *Chorus.*
- 2 Shall we meet in that blest harbor, When our stormy voyage is o'er; Shall we meet and cast the anchor By the fair celestial shore? Chorus.
- 3 Where the songs of those before us Roll in harmony around, And creation swells the chorus With its sweet, melodious sound? Chorus.
- 4 Yes, we'll meet them, all the loved ones Torn on earth from our embrace, We shall listen to their voices,

Shall behold them face to face. *Chorus*. We shall, etc.



SUMMER-LAND BLOOM.

- 2 IHERE is a world where there breathes not] 3 There is a home where departed souls dwell; a blight, [woe; The light heart of joy knows no shadow of There ring on the ear the soft sounds of de-More melodious than any below. [light, Sweet peace, gentle peace sways her sceptre of love, [angels fly, While round her pure throne all the bright But, oh, that haven lies far, far above; And to reach it the body must die!
 - The home of our Father, how pleasant and [they swell fair! His children all meet round the board, and
 - Through the mansion a heavenly air.
 - Oh, happy are they, from the cares of earth fled,

Their joy evermore unalloyed by a gloom; Weep not in sorrow for those who are dead, For the door of that home is the tomb.

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I'M A TRAVELLER.

- ^I **J**[']M a lonely trav'ler here, weary, oppressed; But my journey's end is near, soon I shall rest; Dark and dreary is the way, toiling I come; Ask me not with you to stay, yonder's my home.
- 2 I'm a weary trav'ler here, I must go on;
 For my journey's end is near, I must be gone;
 Brighter joys than earth can give win me away, —
 Pleasures that forever live; I cannot stay.
- 3 I'm a traviler to a land where all is fair, Where is seen no broken band; all, all are there; Where no tears shall ever fall, no heart be sad; Where the glory is for all, and all are glad.
- 4 I'm a traveller, and I go where all is fair. Farewell, all I've loved below; I must be there. Worldly honors, hopes, and gain, all I resign; Welcome sorrow, grief, and pain, if heaven be mine.
- 5 I'm a trav'ler; call me not; upward's my way; Yonder is my rest and lot, I cannot stay. Farewell, earthly pleasures all, pilgrim I'll roam; Hail me not; in vain you call, yonder's my home.



THE LIFE OF LIFE.

- ^I L^{IFE} of all being! throned afar, Thy glory flames from sun and star; Centre and soul of every sphere, Yet to each loving heart how near!
- 2 Sun of our life! thy wak'ning ray Sheds on our path the glow of day; Star of our hope! thy softened light Cheers the long watches of the night.

THERE IS NO DEATH.

- 3 Our midnight is thy smile withdrawn; Our noontide is thy gracious dawn; Our rainbow's arch thy mercy's sign: All, save the clouds of sin, are thine.
- 4 Assist us, then, to act, to be, What nature and thy laws decree, Worthy thy intellectual flame, Which from thy breathing spirit came.



187.

- THERE IS NO DEATH.
- ² [HERE is no death! The dust we tread Shall change beneath the summer showers To golden grain or mellow fruit, Or rainbow-tinted flowers.
- 3 The granite rocks disorganize To feed the hungry moss they bear; The fairest leaves drink daily life From out the viewless air.
- 4 There is no death! The leaves may fall, The flowers may fade and pass away, They only wait through wintry hours The coming of the May.
- 5 And ever near us, though unseen, The dear immortal spirits tread; For all the boundless universe Is life; there are no dead.

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188.

I YE who, amid the strife Of human tongues and creeds, Sigh for diviner life To work out nobler deeds, Weary of doubt and care, And seeking purer rest, Servants of truth, who dare By truth alone be blest, Shake off your fetters, from the discord flee, Burst ev'ry chain, would ye indeed be free.

2

Forth, where the breath of love Yet stirs the quiet air, Up to those heights above, And breathe in freedom there! Hope not in aught below, For man your flight would stay; God is your leader now, His will your law to-day; Be strong in trust, be faithful to the end, His angel-watchers all your ways attend.

SPIRITUAL FREEDOM.

4

Hear ye this thrilling call Unheard by worldly ears, Clearly its heart-tones fall To chide your faithless fears; Prove ye the holy worth Of ev'ry promise given, Live ye the life on earth

That lifts us nearer heaven ! For thus the hung'ring soul to him is led; His voice obey, would ye by him be fed.

Then will the dark'ning cloud Of doubt be rent in twain, Never its gloom to shroud The free-born mind again; Light from the world divine Will flood our world with light; Nature in glory shine,

And there "be no more night." Give wing to thought, arise! and swiftly soar Where truth with love abideth evermore!



190. 189. THE DAYS WHEN WE WERE YOUNG. THE TEMPERANCE PLEDGE. I CAN we forget the gloomy time, I $\operatorname{HOW}_{\operatorname{Polled}}$ happy, in the days of youth, When Bacchus ruled the day, Rolled every hour away! When dissipation, sloth, and crime When hearts were light and faces bright, Bore undisputed sway? And all the world was gay, The time, the time, the gloomy time, When every chord within each breast The time now passed away, To love and joy was strung; When dissipation, sloth, and crime Oh! all was hope and happiness, Bore undisputed sway? In days when we were young! 2 All honor to the noble band 2 And sweet the flowers that decked our path; Who feared no creature's frown, All nature's face looked fair: And boldly pledged both heart and hand Where'er abroad the world we trod, To put intemp'rance down; What lovely things were there! The band, the band, the noble band, -While o'er each view her gorgeous hue The band of blest renown, -Fair fancy ever flung; Who boldly pledged both heart and hand, Oh! all was bright and beautiful To put intemp'rance down. In days when we were young! 3 Then, friendship, sweeter far than all, 3 Nor shall the pledge be e'er forgot, We thought could ne'er decay; That so much bliss creates, -Nor friends beloved, who faithful proved, We'll touch not, taste not, handle not, Would ever pass away. Whate'er intoxicates; Their voice was music to our ears, The pledge, the pledge is not forgot, --Upon their smiles we hung; The pledge old Bacchus hates; Oh! all the loves and tender ties We'll touch not, taste not, handle not, Of days when we were young! Whate'er intoxicates.

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WHILE THE DAYS ARE GOING BY.

- THERE are lonely hearts to cherish While the days are going by;
 There are weary souls who perish While the days are going by.
 If a smile we can renew, As our journey we pursue,
 Oh! the good we all may do While the days are going by!
- 2 There's no time for idle scorning While the days are going by; Be our faces like the morning While the days are going by. Oh! the world is full of sighs, Full of sad and weeping eyes; Help your fallen brother rise While the days are going by.
- 3 All the loving links that bind us While the days are going by,
 One by one, we leave behind us While the days are going by;
 But the seeds of good we sow,
 Both in shade and shine will grow,
 And will keep our hearts aglow
 While the days are going by.
- 4 Should misfortune dark come o'er us While the days are going by, Think what brightness is before us While the days are going by;
 Think of heaven where all are blest Where no sorrow can molest,
 Where we all shall be at rest While the days are going by.



He spread its pavement, green and bright, And curtained it with morning light.

An humbler temple, "made with hands."



FORSAKE NOT THE RIGHT.

- I IN the dark hour of peril forsake not the right, Though the storm gather wild on the ocean at night; If the lone bark speed true on its tempest-tossed way, To-morrow 'twill rest in the sun-lighted bay.
- 2 If foes gather round thee, forsake not the right; Let truth cheer thee on with its beacons of light; The hour is the darkest that heralds the morn; That flower is the fairest that hideth the thorn.
- 3 If friends should forsake thee, forsake not the right; Heaven's shore is before thee, immortal and bright; The love of false friendship is valueless there; The friends that depart only purchase despair.
- 4 If sorrow encompass, forsake not the right; The harvest of joy shall yet gladden thy sight; The mourner that walks through the valley of tears Shall travel the path of the glorified years.
- 5 In the pathway of life, oh, forsake not the right; Joy comes in the morning, though dark is the night; And the hour is the darkest that heralds the morn; The flower is the fairest that hideth the thorn.





- 197. GLORIA! AN ANGEL BORN TO-DAY!
 I A LOVED one gone! a loved one gone! Bewails the lone one left forlorn; O mourner! cease that wailing cry, And hear the angels' soft reply: "Thy friend beloved has gained a shore Where tempests toss and beat no more; There angels chant the joyous lay, 'Gloria! an angel born to-day!'"
- 2 Then weep no more! the spirit fled Sleeps not amid the silent dead; Oh, look beyond this veil of clay, To where celestial fountains play. List, list! oh, list the glad refrain! As, freed from sorrow, freed from pain, It joins the grand, anthemal lay, "Gloria! an angel born to-day!"
- 3 An angel born! an angel born! [morn, From earth's dark night to heav'n's blest To dwell in light on holy hills, By inspiration's sacred rills, And swell the avalanche of song That sweeps th' angelic shores along, Till mortals catch the joyous lay, "Gloria! an angel born to-day!"



THE LAND OF THE LIVING.

- ^I O LAND so full of breaking hearts, O'erhung with shadows blinding, Where half the world the other half In sheet and shroud are winding,
 - Is this the blessed realm of life, So full of death and sighing? "Tis not the land for which our souls
 - Are ever, ever crying.
- 2 Love twines her roses round her head, And speaks in dulcet measures; The world seems in full bloom and song,
 - And never fading pleasures; But ah! how soon the very bells Deride us with their wailing!
- How soon we see death's sable crapes O'er life's white billows sailing!

- 3 Each year we see the brightest leaves In autumn's grasp the serest; Each year the bird-notes die away
 - Which rang for us the clearest; Each day the wintry hand of death
 - The end of earth is giving,
 - And yet we call this wreck-strewn land The region of the living !
- 4 The land of life lies past the shores Where death's dark tide is sweeping; Our angels on its shining heights
 - Watches for us are keeping. We string our hopes like priceless pearls Upon the life before us,
 - And trust the treasures stolen here Its glory will restore us.



THE SWEET GOOD-BY.

- A S the sweet bird that sings Folds her bright starry wings,
 When evening's long shadows draw nigh, So we every one,
 When our work is done,
 Would whisper a gentle good-by.
- 2 O ye children of light, E'er by day and by night
 You're guided by One from on high; The innocent heart
 From hope cannot part,
 Though softly it whispers good-by.
- 3 Then dispel ev'ry fear, While still lingering here, And part not the lips with a sigh, But join in the song Soft floating along, And give us an answering good-by.
 4 Happy hours have been spent In the sweetest content By angels who came from on high; They see that the good Will be understood,
 - And gently they whisper good-by.


²O^H, be our worship ever In spirit and in truth, That chimes with strong endeavor To guide aright the youth. Chorus.

3 Peace sits in social bowers Where mind is calm and meek; And holy rest empowers Where higher life we seek.

201. THEY ARE WAITING.*

^I O^N the shore beyond the river, Loved ones chant the cheering lay, And their tones still linger ever, As we journey on our way.

Chorus.

Over there beyond the river, They are waiting on the shore; Only waiting till the boatman

In his bark shall bear us o'er.

* Observe small notes with these words.

2 On the shore beyond the river, We shall find our trials here Are recorded, and forever Whiter make our robes appear. Chorus.

3 On the shore beyond the river, From our labors we shall rest; When the cares of earth are over, We shall mingle with the blest. Chorus.

4 On the shore beyond the river, When our hearts are torn with grief, Angels whisper they will never Fail to furnish sweet relief.

Chorus.

5 On the shore beyond the river, When we join the host above, Loving hearts no more shall sever;

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All will there be one in love. Chorus.





- Our thoughts are far above, dear love, We're coming to a close !
- 3 Our white locks are the emblems, love, Of life that is forever new;
 - Our, wrinkles only are rifts, dear love, Where shines its glory through ! Chorus.
- 4 Oh, hear the angels speak, dear love, Who kindly welcome us before,
 - "Come higher, higher! oh, higher, love! United evermore!" Chorus.

- No more 'mid doubts and fears to roam, We're going, going home.
- 2 We're going home to summer land, Where weave we crowns for ages grand That yet wilt compass this time-bound strand, We're going, going home. Chorus.
- 3 We're going home to summer land, Ere long we'll sport on golden sand, And feel our brows by its soft winds fanned, We're going, going home. Chorus.



GOLDEN SIDE.

I THERE is many a rest in the road of life, If we only would stop to take it; And many a tone from the better land, If the querulous heart would make it! To the sunny soul, that is full of hope, And whose beautiful trust ne'er faileth, The grass is green and the flowers are bright, Though the wintry storm prevaileth. 2 Better hope, though the clouds o'er you hang 4 Oh, 'tis better to weave in the web of life Ever keep the sadeyes still lifted; [so low; The sweet sunny sky will be peeping through

When the ominous clouds are rifted! There was ne'er a night but that had a day, Or an evening without a morning;

The darkest hour, as the proverb goes, Is the hour before the dawning.

3 There is many a gem in the path of life, Which we pass in our idle pleasure,

That's richer by far than the jewelled crown, Or the miserly hoarded treasure;

It may be the love of a little child, Or a dear mother's prayers to heaven,

Or some lone wanderer's grateful thanks For a cup of water given.

The most beautiful golden filling,

To do all life's work with a cheerful heart, And with hands that are swift and willing,

Than to snap the frail, tender, minute threads Of our curious lives asunder;

And then blame heaven for the tangled ends. And still sit and grieve and wonder.









209. GOD WILL BEMEMBER THE WORLD. 2 Wisdom's not veiled to our mortal sight; FOUNTAINS of joy are supplied by tears, God is forever with man! Love, lit by breath of a sigh; Truth within is the law of right; Deepest griefs and the wildest fears God is forever with man! Have angel sympathy nigh; Christ is the spirit in human guise; Day will return with a fresher boon; Beauty in every part; God will remember the world! And heaven is gained by a sacrifice, The night will come with a newer moon; When allied with an angel's heart. God will never deny the world! 210. GOD IS FOREVER WITH MAN. 3 Sing, O ye birds, while on soaring wing; I HEIRS of the morning! receive the light; God is forever with man! God is forever with man! Blossom, roses, and fragrance bring; Day has come without any night; God is forever with man! God is forever with man! Warble green forest and breezy hill! Love is a judge in the human soul; Echo, ye billows at play! Justice is Deity's shrine; Oh, chant abroad the celestial trill, And life's a journey to happier goal, That the earth is redeemed this day! With its hope for the guiding sign.



- 211. THE LOOK OF HAIR.
 ² JTS glory is undimmed by years; Its charms new hopes enfold;
 I bathe it oft with hallowed tears, More precious far than gold.
 And as it curls my fingers round Life's mem'ries clear and meek
 Come pulsing with a loving sound; That lock of hair doth speak!
 3 From it, oh, never will I part,
- But feel its mute caress The closer in my grateful heart, All weeping hours to bless. Unbroken shall this tie remain, Though from its owner riven, Enwoven into ringlet chain That draws me up to heaven.

212. NIGHT VIGILS.

- I SWEET Peace, descend with noiseless And seek each human breast, [wing, And through the night in sweetness sing,
 - And soothe to quiet rest. Smooth every aching brow of pain Till busy thought shall sleep;
 - Till morning light shall come again, Keep thou thy vigil, keep!
- 2 Good-night! O eyes that look on mine! Hope's golden dreams for thee! May morning's hour bring joy to thine,
 - As daybreak to the sea.
 - Good-night! my soul pours out its prayer, That heaven's eternal light
 - May be the mantle thou shalt wear, Good-night, good-night, good-night!





THE ANGELS TOLD ME SO.

- ² I'LL weep not on the silent bier, Where all that's dust shall rest, Nor shed a needless bitter tear To give her heart unrest, Lest she may feel my throbbing pain,
 - And sorrow o'er my woe;
 - I know that she'll come back again; The angels told me so. Chorus.
- My soul is rapt in sweet delight! Oh, there is sister now! I knew she would return to see Those whom she loved below, And be a sister still to me; The angels told me so! Chorus.

3 Oh, see! there is a spirit light!

I feel it on my brow!



ASPIRATION.

- ^I COME to me, thoughts of heaven! My fainting spirit bear,
 - On your bright wings, by morning giv'n, Up to celestial air; Away, far, far away, From thoughts by passion giv'n,
- Fold me in pure, still, cloudless day, O blessed thoughts of heav'n!
- 2 Come in my tempted hour, Sweet thoughts! and yet again O'er sinful wish and mem'ry, show'r Your soft effacing rain; Waft me where gales divine With dark clouds ne'er have striv'n; Where living founts forever shine; O blessed thoughts of heav'n!

- 217. THERE'S NO ONE LIKE MOTHER.
 - I SWEET is the song of birds In summer's leafy wild; But sweeter far the kindly words That grace a lovely child. The streamlet murmurs low
 - As soft as cooing dove, But human heart alone can know The strength of mother's love.
 - 2 When far in distant lands, Though skies be ever clear, We ever sigh for gentle hands And smiles of friends so dear. So through the waning years,

We follow each above, . Yet murmur, through our blinding tears,

"There's none like mother's love."







- WE'RE bound for the land of the pure and the holy, The home of the happy, the kingdom of love.
 Ye wand'rers from God in the broad road of folly, Oh, say, will you go to the Eden above? Chorus.
- 2 In that blessed land neither sighing nor anguish Can breathe in the fields where the glorified rove. Ye heart-burdened ones, who in misery languish,
 - Oh, say, will you go to the Eden above? Chorus.
- 3 No poverty there, no, the good are all wealthy, The heirs of His glory whose nature is love; Nor sickness can reach them, that country is healthy. Oh, say, will you go to the Eden above? Chorus.

4 March on, happy pilgrims, that land is before you, And soon its ten thousand delights we shall prove; Yes, soon we shall walk o'er the hills of bright glory, And drink the pure joys of the Eden above.

Chorus.









223. SPIRITUAL VISION. 2 THE stream of death is bridged with flow-O'er which the angels come and go, [ers, Descending from immortal bowers In lily wreaths and robes of snow. They wander to our thorny ways, Whene'er we need their counsels most, And gladden our o'er-clouded days When griefs beset and hopes are lost. 3 Supremely blessed are those eyes Which drink their lucent glory in, And eath the landceness of the skies

And catch the landscapes of the skies Which lie beyond these vales of sin. They half forget earth's scars and tears,

Who look beyond its bitter strife, And read the promise of bright years On the sublimer heights of life. 224. THE OLD YEAR AND THE NEW.

I RING out the old, ring in the new, Ring, happy bells, across the snow; The year is going, let him go; Ring out the false, ring in the true. Ring out the grief that saps the mind, For those that here we see no more: Ring out the feud of rich and poor, Ring in redress to all mankind.

2 Ring out a slowly dying cause, And ancient forms of party strife; Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.
Ring out false pride in place and blood, The civic slander and the spite; Ring in the love of truth and right,

Ring in the common love of good.



2 SHE'S crossed the shining river, The silver sparkling tide, To cull undying flowers, That bloom the other side; She's crossed the shining river, She's left the vale of tears, She's gone where all is gladness, Undimmed by doubts or fears.
3 She's crossed the shining river On waves of azure hue; To weave with fragrant garlands A home of rest for you; You'll cross the shining river,

You'll clasp her to your heart, Where love shall reign forever, Where dear ones never part.

226. WOMAN, THE ARCHITECT OF LOVE.

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GO thou and search the archives Of all recorded time; And see whose deeds are greatest, Most noble and sublime; And truth, from hist'ry's pages, This simple fact shall tell, — That deeds of loving woman All other deeds excel.

- 2 Who standeth by in sickness When summer friends have fled? Who smootheth down the pillow Upon the suff'rer's bed? Who watches o'er our slumbers When all the world's at rest? Who pillows aching temples Upon her loving breast?
- 3 'Tis self-denying woman, The architect of all, Whose gentle acts of kindness Like summer showers fall; She holds within her spirit The springs of weal or woe, That, touched by skilful fingers, In endless music flows.

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But longing hearts which sought him found

That God and heaven were there.

- Out from a heart that burned to break
 - The fetters of the world.

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3 There's a home for the young, where the angelic song,

That chorus celestial is singing,

While harps bright with gold and which never grow old,

Through the glittering arches are ringing. There's a home for the good; no one there

will intrude, Neither tempt them with evil or folly;

They'll calmly repose, freed from trials and

In mansions prepared for the holy. [woes,

4 There's a home for the vile, all polluted with guile;

When cleansed by the quickening Spirit,

- They, too, may be heir to that kingdom so And may all its full glory inherit. [fair,
- There's a home for us all; when the fiat doth We will fly to the shore o'er the river, [call,
- And join in the song of that beautiful throng, And live in its wisdom forever.

230. THE BEAUTIFUL HEREAFTER.

- THERE are beautiful fields on the farther Where the host of immortals stand; [side, There are mansions of beauty beyond the tide, [wide,
- And the light that beams o'er the waters Is a light from the better land.

2 There are rivers that roll over golden sand Through the midst of this realm so fair; And the beautiful gardens of God are fanned By the kindly breezes so soft and bland,

Ever sweet'ning the heav'nly air.

3 There's a city whose gates are of pearly And its glories shall ever stand, [white, O'er it never shall gather the shades of night,

For the love of God is the sun and the In the midst of this blissful land. [light

- 4 How I long to be safe on the farther shore, There to join in the happy song,
 - 'Mid the forms of the loved who have gone before, [yore,
 - 'Mid the souls that passed in the days of 'Mid the bands of the glorious throng.

[fair, 5 We shall join in the song which the angelsc doth[call,We shall hear lofty cadences richly ring,

And the highest heavenly vault shall bring Echoes sweet of the soul-refrain.





God's BIBLE.

- ^I THERE is a book, who thinks may read, Which heav'nly truth imparts; And all the lore its scholars need, Pure eyes and willing hearts.
- 2 The works of God, above, below, Within us, and around,
 - Are pages in that book, to show How truth divine is found.
- 3 The glorious sky, embracing all, Reveals immortal love; Wherewith encompassed, great and small, In peace and order move.
- 4 Thou who hast giv'n us eyes to see And love this sight so fair, Give to us hearts to find out thee, And read thee ev'rywhere.





CELESTIAL FLOWERS.

- ² A ND when, 'mid earthly toils, they meet The dear ones of their care,
 - They pluck a thorn from ev'ry breast, And plant a blossom there.
 - Then be it ours, through gentle deeds Of pure and perfect love,
 - To sow in human hearts the seeds Of flow'rs that bloom above.
- 3 For ev'ry aspiration high, Though earth's divinest thought, Shall spring anew with brighter bloom, And richer fragrance fraught;
 - And bear the fruits of peace and joy Upon that genial shore,
 - And, plucked by angel hands, refresh Our souls for evermore.



To know but this, — that thou art good, And that I may be blind; If I am wrong, oh, teach my heart To find that better way.





- 2 WITH murmuring sound doth it wander 4 This beautiful stream is the river of life, Through fields of eternal green, [along, Where songs of the blest, in their heav'n of Float soft on the air serene. [rest, Chorus.
- And sweet to the weary soul; [pure, It flows from the source of the Spirit alone,
 - Oh, come where its bright waves roll. Chorus.

- It flows for all nations free;
- A balm for each wound in its waters is O pilgrim, it flows for thee! [found, Chorus.
- 3 Its fountains are deep, and its waters are 5 Oh, will you not drink of the beautiful And dwell on its peaceful shore? [stream,
 - The Spirit says, "Come, all ye weary ones, And wander in grief no more." [home, Chorus.



- ² DEEPLY drink of love celestial From the fountain flowing free, For it giveth joy forever, — Joy o'er all that crystal sea.
- 3 Tell me not, ye weary laden, There is nought but sorrow here,
- To remove earth's blighting fear. 4 Keep your minds in truth-light burning! Walk in virtue's humble way, And be ready for your exit To the realms of perfect day!

For the angels are descending







243. ANGEL MINSTRELSY. WHEN around high noon is burning, Gleaming over lake and lea, And the mountain tops are turning Golden love-looks on the sea; Then within the insect's humming,

- As they kiss the honeyed flowers, Trill the love-songs of the angels From their amaranthine bowers.
- 3 Aye, when evening's dewy splendor, And the stars, like loving eyes,
 Draw my heart with cords so tender To the gates of paradise;
 Then my soul with pure devotion,
 - Spreads her fondest, grateful wing, Floating on the ether ocean, Joins the song the angels sing.

 SPIRIT HEALERS.
 CROWNED of God! by holy angels Where the tides of virtue flow, Aided by Heaven's high evangels, Bless the lofty and the low; Bring from life's electric forces Spirit-balm for every ill, Fainting hearts with mighty forces Of magnetic healing thrill.

- 2 Souls aglow with loving kindness, Hope of mortals! joy of earth! Sensing all the mental blindness, Feeling all our social dearth,
 - Oh! lift upward from this sorrow To a joyous, sure relief
 - Those who long for heaven's morrow, Those who falter 'mid their grief.
- 3 Speak with "angel tongues" of gladness In the music of the spheres;
 - "Cast out serpents," sin and sadness, Charm to nectar all the tears;
 - Cleanse each "deadly drink" of error From the ages' stagnant fount;
 - Smite the phantoms doubt and terror, Boldly climb truth's sacred mount.



Impatient to guide some poor wanderer home, Some brother to lead from a darkened abode, And lay him to rest in the arms of his God.

In mercy to guard us wherever we stray; Aglorious cloud, their bright witness is given; Encircling us here are these angels of heaven.

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And each bitter flood of sorrow Change to golden streams to-morrow, In the realms above.

With the smiles of love;

When in darkest night you languish, We will change to gems; And in crowns of love will weave them, That your spirits may receive them, Lasting diadems.







- ² LOVE me in the sunshine, roaming, When sweet beauty gems each tree, And sparkles on the brine so foaming, Woo as honey woos the bee, Gently, purely, just as sweetly, Love me truly and completely.
- 3 Love me when my cheek is fading, And my sparkling eyes grow dim, And flecks of gray my hair are shading, And my form no longer trim. Love me when I'm sinking lower; Love me when the pulse beats slower.

HEART SONG.

- 4 Love me in the eventiding, When the night is coming down, When tempests in the air are riding, And when storms begin to frown. Draw me to thy breast the nearer,
 - Soothe my timid soul the dearer.
- 5 Love me when my life is ended, And my soul is wafted o'er The river, and with angels blended, On the ever-blooming shore! Love me, heart and soul and spirit, With a love we'll e'er inherit.



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- ^I O^{UR} Father, God, who art in heav'n, All hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, In earth and heav'n the same;
- 2 Give us this day our daily bread, And as we those forgive

SUPPLICATION.

- Who sin against us, so may we Forgiving grace receive;
- 3 Into temptation lead us not, From evil set us free;And thine the kingdom, thine the power, And glory ever be.



DREAMING TO-NIGHT.

- 2 WE'RE dreaming to-night of the loved Yonder a vacant chair [ones dear; Seems filled with a form, ever beloved and re-Crowned with halo of silv'ry hair. [vered, Chorus.
- 3 We're dreaming to-night of the loved ones Many a beaming face [dear; Of friend and companion our fancies woo To its old accustomed place. Chorus.
- 4 We're dreaming to-night of the loved ones Darlings with golden hair [dear,

- Come back to be rocked in their empty cribs, And be fondled with tender care. *Chorus*.
- 5 They're all here to-night; yes, our loved ones Come from the summer land! [dear And each has a smile and a word of cheer

For our sorrowing, stricken band.

- Happy are our hearts, as we gather to-night, Viewing our unbroken chain;
- Ev'ry blank is filled by an angel bright; We see our loved again!
- Happy to-night! happy to-night!

Happy with our loved ones dear!



251.

THE INSPIRED SPEAKER.

- ^I REVERENT listen! The power of an angel Rings out the truths of the wondrous beyond.
 - Honor the temple! It shrines an evangel Drawn to the earth by love's holiest bond.
- 2 Truest of teachers, to heaven ascended, Hasten they back with the gems of the skies, 12
- Blest that life's labors by death are not ended, Still they point upward and bid you arise.
- 3 Reverent listen! Uplifting to heaven Soul aspirations befitting the time, Since unto mortals such glory is given,
 - Bright from the sun-land a presence sublime.

OH, COME, LET US GATHER.









252.

THE HEARTH AND THE HEART.

- O^H, come, let us gather Round the hearthstone to-night; We heed not the weather When the fire burns bright, And loved ones hasten To bask in the light
- That beams from the hearth and the heart. Chorus.
- A seat for our father; Who so kindly as he? And one for our mother, With her babe on her knee; While sister and brother, In innocent glee,
- Add light to the hearth and the heart. Chorus.

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253.

MY HOME IN THE SPIRIT LAND.

- 'VE a beautiful home on the other shore, A home on the golden strand, [fore, Some dear ones have gone to that home be-My home in the spirit-land.
- 2 They come to me now since their souls are $|_4$ I've a father and mother and sisters dear, And gently they press my hand, free, They say there are treasures in store for me, At home in the spirit-land.
- 3 They tell me that beauties unceasing flow, Around where the angels stand;
 - They'll guide me along when I have to go To dwell in the spirit-land.

Who form there a happy band;

Oh, when shall I see that bright mansion fair, My home in the spirit-land?












* May be rendered by mixed voices by singing the parts on the upper staff an octave lower.





NOTHING BUT WATER TO DRINK.*

 2 WHEN a shower in a hot day of summer is over, And the fields are all smiling with white and red clover, And the honey-bee — busy and plundering rover — Is fumbling the blossom leaves over and over, Why so fresh, clean, and sweet, are the fields, do you think? Because they've had nothing but water to drink.

- 3 Do you see that stout oak on its windy hill growing? Do you see what great hailstones that black cloud is throwing? Do you see that steam war-ship its ocean way going, Against trade winds and head winds, like hurricanes blowing? Why so sturdy are oaks, clouds, and ships, do you think? Because they've had nothing but water to drink.
- 4 Now, if we have to work in the shop, field, or study, And would have a strong hand and a cheek that is ruddy, And would not have a brain that is addled and muddy, With our eyes all "bunged up," and our noses all bloody,— How shall we make and keep ourselves so, do you think? Why, we must have nothing but water to drink.

* Composed by John Pierpont at the National Convention of Spiritualists, assembled in Providence, R. L. in 1866. This was the last poem of this revered reformer whilst in the earth form.

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257.

MYSTERY OF NATURE.

I WHO ever yearns to see aright, Because his heart is tender, Shall catch a glimpse of heavenly light In every earthly splendor. 2 So since the universe began, And till it shall be ended, The soul of nature, soul of man, And soul of God are blended. 183



UNION AND LIBERTY. Concluded.



FLAG OF UNIVERSAL LIBERTY.

I $L_{Borne}^{0!}$ 'tis unfurling, the emblem of glory, Borne thro' humanity's thunder and flame, Blazoned in song and illumined in story,

Waved o'er the nations in Liberty's name! Chorus.

2 Light of earth's firmament, guide of her nations,

Pride of her children all honored afar,

- Let the wide beams of thy full constellations Scatter each cloud that would darken a star!
- Chorus.

3 Brotherhood unioned! what foe shall assail thee,

Bearing the standard of liberty's van?

Think not the angel of justice shall fail thee, For it is gained now, — the birthright of man!

Chorus.

- 4 Lord of the universe! shield us and guide us, Trusting thee always, through shadow and sun!
 - Thou hast united us; who shall divide us? Keep us, oh, keep us, the Many in One! *Chorus*.





- 259. SWEET REPOSE. ^I GOOD-NIGHT, good-night; The weary hear it with delight; The day grows silent at its close, And busy fingers seek repose Until the morning light. Good-night, good-night.
- 2 Sweet be thy rest; Each little bird is in its nest; We hear no longer on the street The rapid tread of busy feet; The night cries, "Go to rest;" "Tis best, 'tis best.
- 3 Good-night, good-night;
 In sleep forget time's rapid flight.
 To him whose peace life's cares destroy,
 Be present dreams of blissful joy,
 Till morning greets our sight.
 Good-night, good-night.
- 4 Good-night, good-night; Soft be thy dreams, and calm and bright; In peaceful slumbers close thine eyes, Fearless of grief or sad surprise, Trust in our Father's might. Good-night, good-night.

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SPIRIT RAPPINGS.



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- SPIRIT RAPPINGS.
- ² RAP, rap, rap! Daintiest fingers of air Wake the most delicate sound Rapping on table or chair.

Loved ones of earth gather round,

- Making us know that our loved ones have come.
- Come back to our hearts, and their dear earthly home. [years.

Forget they will never, through glory-bathed How lonely they left us in sadness and tears.

3 Rap, rap, rap!

Guests we would honor are here! Hear the light rappings, and know Visiting angels are near Greeting their earth friends below!

HERO.

Oh, bid them welcome, in garments of white, To hearts which are pure and illumined with light,

They wander at will o'er two wonderful lands! Oh, list to their counsels, and give them your hands!

4 Rap, rap, rap!

Loved ones are rapping to-night! Heaven seems not far away!

Death's sweeping river is bright! Soft is the sheen of its spray!

Magical changes those rappings have wrought ! Sweet hope to the hopeless their patter has brought! [flowers! And death is bridged over with amaranth Blest spirits come back from their bright homes to ours!



261.TRUE HEBOISM. ² B^E thou like the first apostles; Never fear, thou shalt not fall. If a free thought seek expression, Speak it boldly! Speak it all! Face thine enemies, accusers; Scorn the prison, rack, or rod! And if thou hast truth to utter. Speak, and leave the rest to God!

262. GOLD OF THE SOUL.

- I LOVES that in the past lie scattered, Brightest visions love and fear Brightest visions, joys, and fears, Friends that ever fawned and flattered, All were lost in earlier years; Yet upon these fragments hastened, We may build a better life, With our souls subdued and chastened By affliction's fiery strife.
- 2 Thrusting all that's base behind us, Build with purpose firm and good, That each welcome day may find us One step nearer heaven and God; And no longer gazing blindly, Vision dimmed, and heart grown cold, We shall greet each trial kindly As the test which tries the gold.
- 3 Then encourage aspiration; For life is no vale of tears, But a time for preparation For a life in higher spheres. Ever rising, rising, rising, Nearer to the destined goal, All experience undisguising, As the text-book of the soul.



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THE REALM OF THE WEST.

 $\prod_{i=1}^{AVE}$ ye heard of the wonderful conflict of 3 'T is the psalm of the free that is borne on 2 old?

The lion was torn by the bird of the Sun: Through the world has the fame of our

Washington rolled, [in one!" And Heaven sealed to freedom the "Many

Chorus.

the breeze:

It leaps from the heart of each patriot son; While the full, surging chorus is sung by the seas,

For ever and ever, "the Many in one!" Chorus.

MORNING LAND.

Duet.





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269.

NOT BLIND IN SPIRIT.

² THOU hast, within thy contemplative mind, The brightest glimpses of all glorious things;

Conceptions clearly pictured and defined, That come and go on starry spirit wings.

3 Call it not dark ! 'tis rich, this transient world, Tho' shrouded from thy ever longing gaze; The flag of truthful beauty is unfurled Within thy spirit's all-resplendent rays.

4 The light of wisdom is within thy heart, And love serene is glowing brightly there;

While these are ever thine, where'er thou art, This changing world must still be bright and fair.





SUMMER FRIENDS.

- ^I L^{ET} your summer friends go by With the summer weather; Hearts there are that will not fly, Though the storm should gather.
- 2 Summer love to fortune clings, From the wreck it saileth,
 - Like the bee that spreads its wings When the honey faileth.
- 3 Rich the soil where weeds appear; Let the false bloom perish; Flowers there are, more rare and dear, That you still may cherish.
- 4 Flowers of feeling, pure and warm, Hearts that cannot wither, These for thee shall bide the storm, As the sunny weather.



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BUILD HIM A MONUMENT.

² BUILD him a monument! In coming years, When light of justice hath banished the cloud, Dusky pilgrims will wash it with gratitude's tears, And white, black, and red will be equally proud.

Chorus.

3 Build him a monument! Lincoln the good! Chief of philanthropists, highest in power; Standing bravely and firm where no other hath stood, And placing the capstone on Liberty's tower.

Chorus.

- 4 Build him a monument! sacred to heaven, In hearts of freed ones from slavery's thrall; Oh, to him let glad anthems and peans be given;
 - True Liberty, now, and forever, to all.

Chorus.



^I THE gloomiest day hath gleams of light, The darkest wave hath bright foam near And twinkles through the blackest night, [it, Some solitary star to cheer it.

 2 The gloomiest soul is not all gloom; The saddest heart is not all sadness;
 And sweetly o'er the darkest doom, [ness.

There stands some ling'ring beam of glad-

- 3 Despair is never quite despair, Nor life nor death the future closes, And round the shadowy brow of care Will hope and fancy twine their roses.
- 4 Sweet prophecies, these rifts of light, Revealing all the glories o'er us, And brighter, for the shades of night,

Will burst the day that lies before us.









INNER LIFE OF NATURE.

- 2 [[AX not thou my sloth, that I Fold my arms beside the brook;
 Each cloud that floated so light in the sky Writes bright letters in my book.
- 3 Chide me not, laborious band, For the idle flowers I brought; Each trembling aster I hold in my hand Goes loaded with truest thought.
- 4 There was never mystery But 'tis figured in the flowers; Nor secret ever in life-history, But birds tell it in the bowers.
- 5 One rich harvest from thy field Homeward brought the oxen strong; And now the second crop broad acres yield, Which I gather in a song.

The Spiritual Harp.



 O^H, I am so weary, weary! And the night grows dark and wild; The cold wind whistles dreary, dreary, Mother, round your orphan child. Oh, I'm dying, mother, dying, Here upon the cold earth lying, Spurned, rejected, and reviled!

- 2 Ask I work, the poor don't need me, But they look with pitying eye;
 - I ask the rich, they will not heed me; No! but pass me coldly by.
 - Oh, I am so weary, weary,
 - And the night wind moans so dreary, Mother, hear me ere I die.

- 3 All day long I've wandered picking Foul and filthy rags to sell,
 And in my feet sharp stones are sticking. Oh, how they begin to swell!
 And my limbs so ache and pain me,
 I cannot from grief restrain me,
 And they too begin to swell.
- 4 All my limbs the frosts are numbing, And my frame it shivers so;
 I seem to hear the wild bees humming, As they used to long ago
 In our garden 'mong the flowers,
 In those bright, bright sunny hours, As I used to long ago.
- 5 Yes, I seem to hear thee calling, And thy voice so sweet and clear,
 "Ch, come, my darling!" now is falling Softly, gently on my ear.
 Winds all through my tangled tresses Are so like thy loved caresses, And each raindrop seems a tear.

- 6 All around me now it brightens; Am I lying on a bed?
 And oh, how clear and still it lightens! But no thunder jars my head;
 Is it lightning, O my mother?
 No! and there's my little brother! Why, I thought that he was dead!
- 7 Some one seems to bear me gently; Oh! I'm soaring up so high; My breath it comes so faintly, faintly, Oh! I'm passing to the sky.
 Now I've neither pain nor sorrow; I shall pick no rags to-morrow; Mother, I am coming - I! *
- 8 And the night wind caught her wailing As her last lone breath she sighed;
 And rudely whistling through the paling, On its fitful wing it hied;
 Like the cold, cold stones around her, Stark and stiff next morn they found her On the pavement where she died.

*Do not repeat this line with voice, but play the melody with instrument.



- Why should the earth be drenched with gore? Are we not brothers all?
- That heaven its work at length may own, And men be brothers all.



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COLD WATER FOR ME.



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COLD WATER.

- 2 FOOLS may combine to sing of wine, Of whiskey, gin, or porter; But we delight with all our might To sing of pure, cold water. Chorus.
- 3 This Adam's ale does not turn pale, Nor human victims slaughter; Sparkling and bright as rays of light Is pure, life-giving water. Chorus.
- 4 Down mountain side behold it glide, A joy to son and daughter, From rocky cell in shady dell Springs forth the pure, cold water. Chorus.
- 5 Distilled on high, down from the sky It drops in every quarter;
 - Man makes the wine, but Love divine Creates the pure cold water. Chorus.

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SCIENCE. **F**AIR Science bright, from realms of light, We yield thee homage ever:

We're gathered here, a band sincere, To ask thy smiles forever.

Chorus.

- Oh, haste the day when thy blest sway To earth is universal given,
- And light shall shine around thy shrine, In beams of wisdom down from heav'n, Shine wisdom from heav'n.
- 2 We've joined to raise for ardent gaze The veil that hides thy glory,
 - And joyous pore o'er ancient lore And famed heroic story. Chorus.
- 3 We've sought to trace through endless space The path of world's bright gleaming; And hand in hand thy pages scanned While heav'nly truth is beaming. Chorus.
- 4 And now we'll bear thy mandates fair To all who cluster round us;
 - And grateful raise glad songs of praise For blessings that surround us. Chorus.





MAKE HOME BEAUTIFUL. Concluded.





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THE SONG THAT I LOVE.

- 2 'TWAS the song that he loved, when, in life's balmy morn,
 - The laurel of fame his fair brow did adorn; It hallowed his pleasures, it soothed him in pain, [thrilling strain! And with what rapture he lingered on each And the last words he said, — how I treasure

them now! — [brow,

- E'en then the death angel was blanching his His voice breathing low as the murmuring
- dove,

" Oh,	sing to	me,	sister,	the song	that I	love !"
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3 Then how can I sing for thee now that sweet song, [throng? If never that dear one shall join life's glad That soft voice, whose rich tones sounded almost divine, [mine? Shall it never again here be blended with

- All so lonely and sad, through the deepening gloom
- Must I pass on my way, but that low voice will come
- With musical tones to my ear as I rove,
- "Oh, sing to me, sister, the song that I love !"
- 4 Then bid me no more sing for thee that sweet song,
 - My harp on the low, drooping willow is hung; All its chords are untuned, and my tremulous voice
 - Will no longer with melody make me rejoice; For the spirit of mirth from my heart fled away,

Nor will it return till to me he shall say In regions of light, when I meet him above, "Oh, sing to me, sister, the song that I love!"





BEAUTY.

- ^I BEAUTIFUL faces they that wear The light of a pleasant spirit there; It matters little if dark or fair.
- 2 Beautiful hands are they that do The work of the noble, good, and true, Patient and busy the long day through.
- 3 Beautiful feet are they that go So swiftly to lighten others' woe, [snow. Through summer's heat or through winter's

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4 Beautiful children rich or poor, Who, walking the pathways sweet and pure, Lead on to mansions of rest secure.



*Play first four measures of melody for prelude and interlude.



THE CLOUD OF TRANSFIGURATION.

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- ² SEE! through vistas of the skies, Sparkling with unnumbered dyes, Comes the spirit dove in baptismal love, Hov'ring o'er my brow with a new heart-vow, Throbbing full of goodness, Throbbing full of goodness! Chorus.
- 3 Lo! a wreath with wisdom rife Coronates my trial life, [thought, Blooms with flow'rs afraught with angelic

Sweet with Eden truth in immortal youth, Heav'n within me folding, Heav'n within me folding! Chorus.

Oh, for joy my spirit springs, As it soars on hopeful wings, Shouting glad adieu for the brighter view, Robed in vestures white, rising in the light Of eternal progress, Of eternal progress ! Chorus.
Songs, Duets, and Quartets.









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WAITING BY THE RIVER.

- ² THOUGH the mist hang o'er the river, And its billows loudly roar, Yet we hear the song of angels Wafted on the other shore. Chorus.
- 3 Of the bright celestial city, We have caught such radiant gleams Of its towers, like dazzling sunlight,
 - With its sweet and peaceful streams. Chorus.

- 4 Over there is many a loved one; We have seen them leave our side,
 - And with rapture we shall meet them When we too have crossed the tide. *Chorus.*
- 5 When we've passed that vale of shadows, And have gained the other shore,
 - In that realm of light and beauty We shall live for evermore.
 - Chorus.

*Sing first stanza as chorus after 2d, 3d, 4th, and 5th.



*Sustain the tones with lips closed.

THE GOLDEN AGE.

- BRIGHT days of which the angels sing, Speed onward with your endless spring, And let the golden age come in Triumphant with no stain of sin. Chorus.
- 2 Justice will then have done with wars, And valor need not carry scars; Mercy will be a name unknown When love sits sceptred on her throne. *Chorus*.
- 3 How beautiful will life be then When earth can cry, "Behold my men!" And woman in her perfect state Be womanly, and yet be great. *Chorus.*

THERE'S ROOM IN THE WORLD.

- 4 Then childhood with heaven's dews impearled Will make more bright a sunny world, And famished faces, wild and wan, Will nowhere haunt the paths of man. *Chorus*.
- 5 Mankind will all be brothers then, Not prince, nor slaves, but only men; For Love will sanctify all hearts, And link them by her wondrous arts. *Chorus*.
- 6 Not till these lips which sing are dust, Will dawn that age of perfect trust; We sow, with labors, prayers, and tears, Truths which will bring those golden years! Chorus.





* Play last half of prelude for interlude. † Chorus may be omitted.



HOMEWARD BOUND. NOT o'er the chilling stream of death Did I paddle my fairy bark, But o'er the radiant river of life,

Whose waters are never dark!

- 4 Whose white-capped waves your lilies bear From the cold dark soil of earth, To plant them on the other side And bless with heavenly birth.
- 5 Then dream no more of a river dark, And a boatman pale with years, Who'll come to guide you through the mist, And end of mortal tears;
- 6 For only an angel full of love, With roses and lilies crowned,Will come to ferry you o'er the stream, When the soul is homeward bound!

294. O MY FRIENDS, WE ARE GOING.

- r THE fields with flowers are blowing; They all behind us lie, — Our autumn it draweth nigh; But, O my friends, we are going To the summer hills on high.
- 2 We're vexed with wars and warring, Our strifes with days increase; There cometh a swift release, For, O my friends, we are nearing The beautiful realms of peace !
- 3 The winds are beating, blowing; Our hearts are frosted white; We're drawing more near the night! But, O my friends, we are going To the morning-land of light!
- 4 The winter brings rough weather; Into the chill and gloom, We go, but again we'll come ! And, O my friends, we shall gather At the last in heaven, our home !



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THE MAGDALENE.

- WHISPER it softly, when nobody's near, Let not those accents fall harsh on the She is a blossom too tender and frail [ear; For the keen blast, the pitiless gale.
- Whisper it gently; 'twill cost thee no pain; Gentle words rarely are spoken in vain; Threats and reproaches the stubborn may Noble the conquest aided by love. [move,
- 3 Whisper it kindly; 'twill pay thee to know Penitent tear-drops a-down her cheeks flow. Has she from virtue e'er wandered astray? Guide her feet gently, rough is the way.
- 4 She has no parent, and none of her kin; Lead her from error, and keep her from sin. Does she lean on thee? oh! cherish the trust; God to the kindly ever is just.





NOT LOST, BUT GONE BEFORE.

- WHEN for me the silent oar Parts the silent river,
 And I stand upon the shore Of the strange Forever,
 Shall I miss the loved and known?
 Shall I vainly seek mine own?
- 2 Can the bonds that make us here Know ourselves immortal, Drop away like foliage sere
 - At life's inner portal? What is holiest below Must forever live and grow.

- 3 He who plants within our hearts All this deep affection,
 Giving, when the form departs, Fadeless recollection,
 Will but clasp th' unbroken chain Closer when we meet again.
- 4 Therefore dread I not to go O'er the silent river;
 Death, thy hastening oar I know; Bear me, thou life-giver!
 Through the waters to the shore,
 Where mine own have gone before.



- My prayer was heard! That vision reappears,
- To soothe my sorrows and assuage my tears. 15

All fully in the future shall enjoy. Her name is Freedom ! and with joy supreme I bless the day that verified my dream !







ALL THY WORKS PRAISE THEE.

 THE moonbeam on the billowy deep, The blue wave rippling on the strand, The ocean in its peaceful sleep, The shell that murmurs on the sand, The cloud that dims the bending sky, The bow that on its bosom glows,
 The sun that lights the vault on high, The star at midnight's calm repose, —
 These praise the power that arched the sky,

These praise the power that arched the sky And robed the earth in beauty's dye.

2 The melody of nature's choir, The deep-toned anthems of the sea, The wind that tunes a viewless lyre,

The zephyr on its pinions free, The thunder with the thrilling notes That peal upon the mountain air, The lay that through the foliage floats

Or sinks in dying cadence there, — These all to Thee their voices raise A fervent voice of gushing praise.

- 3 The day-star, herald of the dawn, As darkest shadows flit away,
 - The tint upon the cheek of morn, The dew-drop gleaming on the spray;
 - From wild birds in their wanderings, From streamlets leaping to the sea, From all earth's fair and lovely things,

Doth living praise ascend to Thee. These with their silent tongues proclaim The varied wonders of thy name.

4 Father, thy hand hath formed the flower, And flung it on the verdant lea;

Thou bad'st it ope at summer's hour; Its hues of beauty speak of thee!

Thy works all praise thee; shall not man Alike attune the grateful hymn?

Shall he not join the lofty strain Echoed from harps of seraphim? We tune to thee our humble lays, Thy mercy, goodness, love, we praise.



2 MOUCHED by love so holy, Dwellers of the earth, Welcome ye the lowly To a higher birth! Drive them not, forsaken, To their gloom again, Though their coming waken Agonies of pain.

God hath giv'n you teachers Gentle, wise, and true,
Be ye, also, preachers, Lifting them to you;
Heaven and earth, thus blending In the upward march,
Step by step ascending To the "Royal Arch."



ANTHEMS, SENTENCES, CHORUSES.































THE LYCEUM BAND.

UR Lyceum, 'tis of thee, Sweet band of liberty, Of thee we sing;
Band where our songs resound, Band where no creeds are found, But deeds of love abound, And pleasures bring.
God bless our little band !
Firm may we ever stand, Stand for the right !
May all we say and do, May all our teachings, show Our sympathy for woe, Our search for light !

2 Let us our voices raise To God in songs of praise,

The God of truth ! May our young hearts be meek, May we for wisdom seek,

When we together meet, Now in our youth. Unfurl our banners all, And to the angels' call Gladly we come. Let us our voices raise In songs of joyful praise, For heav'n's immortal days, And purer home.

WE'LL MEET OUR LOVED ONES THERE.



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WE'LL MEET OUR LOVED ONES THERE.

- ^I COME in, my partners in distress, We'll be gathered home; My comrades through this wilderness, We'll be gathered home. *Chorus*.
- 2 Thrice blessed bliss, inspiring hope, We'll be gathered home.
 It lifts my fainting spirit up;
 - We'll be gathered home. Chorus.

- 3 Our sufferings here will soon be o'er; We'll be gathered home.
 - Then we will sigh and weep no more; We'll be gathered home. Chorus.
- 4 Farewell, conflicting hopes and fears; We'll be gathered home.
 - How bright th' unchanging morn appears; We'll be gathered home. *Chorus.*



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Anthems, Sentences, Choruses.




WHEN WE GO HENCE.

I WHEN we go, let no wail in the mansion be heard, No wavelet on soul-sea or heart-chord be stirred; But let calmness and trust their faith-off'rings bring To blend with the rapture, "O death! where's thy sting?" Let the hour be morn, while the first breeze is stealing O'er forest and flow'r, in sweet notes revealing The soul's aspirations, like hymns in the air, That rise like the incense of flow'rs bent in prayer.

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- 2 O'er the grave let no willow in minor tones moan, The false dogma, "died," ne'er be carved on the stone; For such breathe not the truths o'ergleaming the ports That gladden forever the heavenly courts. Oh, these death-scenes are sweet, for the soul pens for ages Vast volumes of thought on unwritten pages; While each throe of despair, of deep sorrow and pain, Will burnish the links in life's mystical chain.
- 3 Let the harps of the angels be newly restrung! There's mirth to be made; there are songs to be sung; For a pilgrim has passed from the care-lands of earth To realms of the loved, where the spirit had birth. 'Twill be joy to stand in that bright world of glory, Where wisdom and love are themes of life's story, Where the cross shines a crown that to angels is given, With loved ones who glide through the azure of heav'n.









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Anthems, Sentences, Choruses.



- ² N^{OW} to rest! now to rest! Let the weary eyelids close! Sleep on every eye is lying; Hark! the whippoorwill is crying; All invites thee to repose. Good-night! good-night!
- 3 Rest in peace! rest in peace! Till the morning gaily breaks; Till the day, its care's renewing, Calls us to be up and doing. Rest in peace! thy Father wakes! Good-night! good-night!

 A NGELS bright, charged with light, Are now in the prison rooms,
 O'er the minds of weepers bending,
 Ev'ry seal of terror rending,
 Op'ning all the mental tombs. Sweet light! sweet light!

2 Reason dawns! reason dawns! Hark! the cries of sorrow cease! For the angels' magic power, Healing in electric shower, Charm by beauty, love, and peace! Sweet light! sweet light!

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3 The broad-faced sun! how genial it smiles On the dew-sprinkled earth that reflects its Blessing the waters and far distant isles, [ray,

Smiling thy fears away, fears away.

Stars in the night are our world's bright crown, As they drink the light from the fountain above,

Bathing our heads with silvery down, And glowing our hearts with love.

PUSHMATAHA.

4 Rejoice ! rejoice ! in innocent glee;

Make thy heart ever pure here in life's great school;

Sunshine is brightest in souls that are free, Loving the golden rule, golden rule:

Giving to others as nature parts [hand, With her beauteous gifts from her generous Asking no pay of famishing hearts,

For all are a brother-band.





4 God calls our loved ones, but we lose not wholly what | he has | given; They live on earth in thought and deed as | true . . ly as | in his | heav'n.

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- Joy beckons, | suns come | forth from | Joy rolls the spheres in | realms a- | far, Ne'er to thy | glass, dim | wisdom, | giv'n !
- 3 Joyous as suns ca- | reering | gay Along their | royal | paths on | high, March, brothers, march your | dauntless | As | chiefs to | victo- | ry! [way,
- 4 Joy, from truth's purest | lambent | fires, Smiles out up- | on the | ardent | seeker;

Joy leads to virtue | man's de- | sires And cheers as | Suf'ring's | step grows | weaker.

- 5 High from the sunny | slopes of | faith, The gales her | waving | banners | buoy; And through the shattered | vaults of | death, Lo, mid the | choral, | angels | joy!
- 6 Then bravely bear this | life, ye | millions, Bear this for | that be- | yond the | sod, Assured that o'er the | star pa- | villions Re | ward a- | waits with | God.



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THE VOYAGE OF LIFE.

- ^I LAUNCH thy bark! launch thy bark on the | swelling | tide, But oh, look up and lean on heav'n, as | swiftly | on you | glide; For perils all around thee lie, like rocks up- | on the | sea; And he who slumbers on the watch a | shapeless | wreck may | be!
- 2 Hoist thy flag! hoist thy flag! nail it | to the | mast;
 The flag of truth, the flag of love, up- | on the | breezes | cast;
 And 'neath that banner's glorious folds spread out thy | flowing | sail;
 Press onward to the destined port be- | fore the | fav'ring | gale!
- 3 Speed thee on! speed thee on, o'er the | troubled | sea; But oh, let wisdom guide thy bark, and | truth thy | compass | be; Unloose thy sail; God speed thee now; thy vigil | never | cease, Till, anchored in the heavenly port, thou | find e- | ternal | peace.



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EVENING PRAYER.

- I HUSH! 'tis a holy hour; the | quiet | room/ Seems like a temple, | while yon | soft lamp | sheds
- 2 A faint and starry radiance, | through the | gloom, And the sweet stillness, | down on | fair young | heads,
- 3 With all their clust'ring curls, un- | touched by | care, And bowed, as flowers are | bowed with | night, in | prayer!
- 4 Oh, take the thought of this calm | vesper | time, With its low murm'ring | sounds and | silv'ry | light,
- 5 On through the dark days fading | from their | prime, As a sweet dew to | keep your | souls from | blight!
- 6 Earth will forsake Oh! happy | to have | giv'n The unbroken heart's first | fragrance | unto | heav'n!



Chants.





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2 And from the lattice | far it | gleams, To love and | rest and | comfort | call.

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The strife of | glory, | gold, and | fame,

- 4 How sweet to seek the | quiet | way, Where loving lips will lisp our name, A- | round the | light of | home!
- BEATITUDES. I RLESSED are the poor in spirit; for their's is the | kingdom . . of | heaven. Blessed are they that mourn; | for they | shall be | comforted.
- 2 Blessed are the merciful; for they | shall ob- . . tain | mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart; | for they | shall see | God.
- 3 Blessed are the peace-makers; for they shall be called the | children . . of | God. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth | peace, good- | will to | men.



DIVINE PATERNITY.

 $G_{him.}^{OD ext{ is love }; ext{ and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in }- ext{fold of for a following of the set of the$

- Plato.

God is truth, and light is his shadow.

God is a spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. $-\mathcal{F}esus.$

Our Father and our Mother!

Help us to love the good, the beautiful, the true.

HEAVENLY-MINDEDNESS.

M AY this soul of mine, which is a ray of perfect wisdom, pure intellect, and permanent existence, which is the unextinguishable light fixed within created bodies, without which no good is performed, be united by devout meditation with the Spirit supremely blest and supremely intelligent. - Rishis, the Orient.

Hallowed be thy name.

O Vishnu! who art Spirit, self-existent and imperishable, who, with the three qualities, — cause of creation, preservation, and destruction, — art the parent of nature and all the ingredients of the universe, bestow upon us understanding and final emancipation. -Purana.

Give us a part in all good actions and all holy words. - Zend Avesta.

SPIRITUAL SOVEREIGNTY.

L ET us take refuge with God from dark and evil thoughts which molest and afflict us.

The eyes of Purity saw thee by the lustre of thy substance.

Intelligence is a drop from among the drops of the ocean of thy place of souls. The soul is a flame from among the flames of the fire of thy residence of sovereignty.

O Thou who showerest down blessings! O Light of lights!

Rescue us from the fetters of dark and evil matter. -Persian Prophets.

IMMANUEL.

SOUL of souls! by our senses thou seest, hearest, tastest, smellest, feelest; by our heart thou lovest; by our mind thou thinkest! We are one with thee!

O God above and within us! by the love of thy still voice of wisdom, Call us aloft where angels are. — Prophet of To-day.

ANGELIC HARMONY.

 \mathbf{W} E beseech thee for nothing, for thou doest all things well.

• Every moment thou art calling minds out of darkness.

In thee they find strength and enlightenment and sanctification.

They love, and they fear not.

They walk, and do not stumble.

They look upon thee, and their doubts flee away.

We beseech thee for nothing, because thy gracious omniscience comprehendeth the least as well as the greatest; thy life is in all and through all.

In thee all live and move and have their being.

O Father ! O Mother ! O Light !

Receive from all thy children everlasting love. Amen.

— Arabula.

PROGRESS.

MMORTAL force — servant of Deity — **L** Works forward, never backward. From the plane Of nature's pyramidal base it moves Upward in transmutations glorious, Tracing the thought of God. Inward fires That flame at nature's heart, the strength and power Of all material method, the ascent, The terrible abyss, the tempest wrath, The beauty of the blossom and the leaf, The glory of the rainbow and the cloud, The music of the bird and bee and stream, The harmony of things, the restless toss And mystery of the changing opal sea, ---All are refined, transmuted, and conserved, And wrought into the fœtal angel - MAN. The human organism perishes, To aid the wondrous alchemy of life; And Force, sublimed to phosphorescent mind, Mounts upon pinions of celestial flame, Sphering the germ-spark of a seraph's fire, And burning upward to the INFINITE.

- Augusta Cooper Bristol.



INVOCATION TO THE ANGELS.

A NGEL ministry cheers the darkest days of our pilgrimage here with the confident assurance that there is not an aspiration after good, nor a dream of the beautiful, during the earthly life, that will not find a nobler field and fairer realization when the pilgrim has cast off his burden and reached the better land. -R. D. Owen.

I heard voices saying, Come up higher ! _____ John.

How vast is the power of spirits! An ocean of invisible intelligences surround us everywhere. They cause men to purify and sanctify their hearts. How important that we should not neglect them ! _ Confucius.

The angels are with us; the place is holy; aspiration is worship.

Blessed evangels of the Divine Spirit! they inspire us with pure thought; they succor us in adversity; they encircle us with rainbows of hope; and in the fading scenes of life, the mystic gates ajar, they roll up the curtains of immortality and show us those we love.

O faithful spirits ! save us from abusing your heavenly oracles.

Feed us with the bread of God that cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.

Teach us the virtues of sincerity, meekness, innocence, and heavenlymindedness; the sacredness of orderly marriage and its holy uses for paternity; and awaken in us sweet tempers and the loves of spiritual devotion.

Inspire us with the enlightenments of normal reason and harmony.

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^{*}Indicates the place for the music. When there are no words opposite the star, sing the words set to music. 18



NATURAL WORSHIP.

NTATURE calls with many voices to worship in her temple.

 $\mathbf{1}$ **N** The willing spirit answers, and I go forth into the great fane that is consecrated by the Divine Presence.

Nature's great heart beats under our feet and over our head.

The currents of all pervading life flow into every form of the natural world, and therefore do all forms partake of the divine energy.

God is here, and the quick soul feels his presence in the midst of his temple. -Brittan.

Tongues in trees, books in running brooks, Sermons in stones, and good in everything.

 The morning sun his golden eyelash raises O'er | eastern | hills;
 The happy summer-bird, with matin | praises . . The | thicket | fills.

A day will come to every soul when into the channels of its purified being will pour the love, the truth, the beauty of the world. — *Finney*.

> And nature's dress, with softly tinted roses, And | lilies | wrought,
> Through all its varied unity dis | closes . . God's | perfect | thought.

More and more the surges of everlasting nature enter into me, and become human and public in my regards and actions. Through the years and the centuries, through evil agents, through toys and atoms, a great and beneficent tendency irresistibly flows. -Emerson. * Oh, drop, my soul, the burden that oppresses And | cares that | rule,
 That I may prove the whispering wildernesses | Heaven's | vesti | bule !

All are but parts of one stupendous whole, Whose body nature is, and God the soul.

For I can hear, despite material warden And | earthly | looks,
A still small voice, and know that through his | garden . . The | Father | walks.



LIBERTY.

WHATEVER is just is the true law, nor can this true law be abrogated by any written enactment. *Cicero.*

The spirit of liberty is principle at work. -Burke.

The primary aim of government is to protect individuals in the enjoyment of those absolute rights which were vested in them by the immutable laws of nature. — *Blackstone*.

Obey God manifest in thyself.

Hopeful and glorious are the times, when men can exercise the right to speak and publish the truth. -Tacitus.

Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof. * —*Moses.*

The aim of the people is liberty. In every corner of the known earth at this day the cry is "Liberty! liberty for the body, liberty for the soul!" -Emma Harding.

Give the public freedom, noble aims; busy them with great work.

- Pope.





VIRTUE is nobility without heraldry. Unto the pure all things are pure. Be not ashamed of thy virtues.

> There's a | pure white | lily That is | blooming | in the | earth,
> A | beauti . ful | lily,
> And it hath immortal birth, The | lily | of the | soul.

Sully not the honor of thy house; Fix not a withering stigma upon thy children.

> * There's a | pure white | lily That is | drinking | heavenly | rain,
> A | beauti . . ful | lily That's without a scar or stain, The | lily | of the | soul.

Virtue can add reverence to the bloom of youth;

And without it age plants more wrinkles in the spirit than on the forehead. —Sanscrit.

> There's a | pure white | lily, And its | petals | are un | furled,
> A | beauti . . ful | lily, For the glory of the world, The | lily | of the | soul.

– Sallust.

- Paul.

– Ben. Johnson.

- Phocylides.

Pure affections, pure thoughts, pure habits, clothe the person with attributes of beauty.

> There's a | pure white | lily That is | fresh with wisdom's | dew,
> A | beauti . ful | lily, Of a sweetness ever new, The | lily | of the | soul.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they see God.

 There's a | pure white | lily That will | blossom | soon at | hand,
 A | beauti . . ful | lily,
 In the golden summer-land,
 The | lily | of the | soul,

Oh, take heart! a pure and honorable life is possible to all.

- Grace Greenwood.

- Jesus.

WOMAN.

THE universal human heart, even though blind and cold, pays a certain involuntary homage to the mothers whose children have acted the Christ-part in their generations. -Mrs. Farnham.

The heart cannot be true to others that to itself is false.

-Mrs. H. F. M. Brown.

Woman! take courage to elevate thyself; strive to free thyself from fetters, and the great-souled men will haste to thy rescue.

— Mrs. Mary F. Davis.

Then comes the statelier Eden back to man; Then reign the world's great bridals, chaste and calm; Then springs the crowning race of humankind. — Tennyson.

She is clothed with neatness; she is fed with temperance; humility and meekness are as a crown of glory circling her head.

Decency is in all her words; in her answers are mildness and truth.

The tongue of the licentious is dumb in her presence.

The awe of her virtue keepeth him silent.

She informeth the minds of her children with wisdom; she fashioneth their manners from the example of her own goodness.

The troubles of her husband are alleviated by her counsels and sweetened by her endearments.

Happy is the man who has made her his wife; happy is the child that calleth her mother. - Sanscrit.

The dependence of Liberty shall be lovers.

The continuance of Equality shall be comrades.

- Whitman.

SPIRIT OF LOVE.

C OME now, let us reason together, saith the Spirit: Though your sorrows be red like crimson, they shall be white as snow; though they be as the sands of the sea, they are gold dust in the eye of Wisdom.

O Spirit of Love! thy children are athirst on the desert of life.

Within thee may be found the oasis of rest, with its dews of mercy, springs of justice, sunshine of truth, and beauty of virtue.

O Spirit of Love ! thy children are worried with cares and disappointments.

Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

O Spirit of Love! thy children murmur amid hatreds and repinings.

Great peace have they that love my law of forgiveness, and nothing shall offend them.

O Spirit of Love! save us from distrust. In hallowed silence let us meditate on thy wonderful goodness.

Blessed are they that do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.

REFORM.

T is so cheap to praise what all applaud, To bend the supple knee and bow the head Over the graves of the illustrious dead, Extol the past in popular accord, And with the lips confess that Christ is Lord !

If we have not the martyr strength to tread Their thorny paths, lead onward as they led Far in advance of ancient bounds, unawed,— If, cowards in the present, we recoil

From grappling with the evils of our time,

Content with bygone, vanquished sins to moil, Our praise of olden heroes is but slime,

And we are naught but cumberers of the soil,

And parasites, and panderers to crime.

William Loyd Garrison.

REFINEMENT.

WERT thou never refined in pitiless fire From the dross of thy sloth, and mean desire; Wert thou never taught to feel and know That the truest love hath its roots in woe, Thou would'st never unriddle the complex plan, Or reach half-way to the perfect man; Thou would'st never attain the tranquil height Where wisdom purifies the sight, And God unfolds to the humblest gaze The bliss and beauty of his ways. -Co

-Chas. McKay.



TRUTH.

WHAT is truth? — Pilate. Truth is the soul's divine conviction. — Spirit of John. Master mind, and you have mastered the universe. — Perasee Lendanta. Search for truth on all occasions, and espouse it in opposition to the world. * — The Bard's Druidic Creed.

Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. $-\mathcal{F}esus$.

 With myriad wrongs they wage An | endless war,
 And shed their lustre o'er each passing age, Like | morning's golden star !

The way to gain admission into the temple of science is through the portal of doubt. — Socrates.

> Great souls are filled with love, Great | brows are | calm,
> Serene within their might, they soar above The | whirlwind | and the | storm.

Be persuaded that those things are not your riches which you do not possess in the penetralia of your reasoning powers. — Demophiles.

Brave the world; be firm in truth, liberal and generous. -E. V. Wilson.



PEACE.

THE life of man is sacred.

There is a higher law.

The government is for the people, not the people for the government.

Man before and above his institutions.

Wherefore the wisdom of law binding us to rob, maim, starve, or destroy our fellow-men? wherefore the worth of a church or state that sacrifices life to preserve its authority? wherefore the charge of guilt to him who slays only his neighbor, but the plaudits of glory to the hero who slays his thousands?

Are we not all brethren? hath not one Father created us? — Malachi. Suffer rather than inflict suffering.

> The dawn will break — The dawn of brotherhood and love and peace, The light of a new time, when there shall cease This clang of armies over Christian lands; And nations, tearing off their Lazarus-bands, Shall rise — see face to face — and sadly say, Why were we foes? why did we serve and slay?" — Garibaldi.

Blessed are the peace-makers; for they shall be called the children of God. $-\mathcal{F}esus$.

The trumpets that blow when the battle's red star Whelms the world with its blood, as it bursts from afar; When the demon of wrath beats his war trums that roll, And clashes his steel as the steeple-bells toll —

The death-smitten eyes that look up to the sun, And see only the cannon-smoke darkling and dun; And the lips that in dying hurl curses at those Whom the Father made brethren, but evil made foes—

The groans of the wounded, that fled but to die, The death-shot that scatters the ranks as they fly, The wild, fierce hurrah ! when the fratricide host Have driven their brethren to Hades' red coast—

The temples where Moloch is worshipped, and blood From the innocent spirits wrung out like a flood, Where the curse of perdition is shot from the bow Of the bigot, whose creed is a terror and woe —

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest; on earth peace, good-will to men.-Angels.

PEARLS OF WISDOM.

I N action, preserve self-possession; in opportunity, be prompt; in danger, be wary; in labor, patient; in determining, just; in discourse, persuasive; let your manner be ingenuous. - Pythagoric.

Think before you speak.

-Chilo.

Press forward not too hastily; follow the middle path at a steady pace. -Theogenis.

Give just measure and weight.

Listen not to a whisperer and slanderer, for he tells you not anything out of good-will; but as he exposes to you the secrets of others, so will he expose your secrets to them. — Socrates.

Sincerity of heart is the first of virtues. -Confucius. In your most secret actions, suppose you have all the world as witnesses.

— Isocrates.

Denial of self is the nobility of manhood.

A truly noble nature cannot be insulted. — Syrius, the Syrian.

Speak not injurious words, either in jest or earnest. __Geo. Washington.

Do to others what you would they should do unto you, and do not unto others what you would should not be done unto you. — Chinese Analects.

Make thy soul the birthplace of thy Saviour.



CHILDHOOD.

TAKE heed that ye offend not one of these little ones, for I say unto you that their angels do always behold the face of my Father. $-\gamma_{esus}$.

Little children form a ladder of garlands on which the angels descend to our souls. -Lydia M. Child.

Oh, banish the tears of childhood ! continual rain upon the blossoms is hurtful. $-\mathcal{F}ean Paul.$

Give children the heritage of pure water, free ventilation, innocent amusement, music, sunshine, flowers, and birds.

Never deceive children; fulfil just promises; teach them self-government; soften the manners; train to industry; lovingly unfold the innate spirit.

He who teaches not his child an art or profession by which he may earn an honest livelihood teaches him to rob the public. — The Talmud.

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Honor thy father and thy mother.

A child is the repository of infinite possibilities.

Of such is the republic of heaven.

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CHARITY.



VERY good act is charity.

Giving water to the thirsty is charity.

Putting a wanderer in the right path is charity.

Removing stones and thorns from the road is charity.

Exhorting your fellow-men to virtuous deeds is charity.

Smiling in your brother's face is charity.

- Fohn.

-Paul.

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God.

He that loveth not knoweth not God, for God is love.

He that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

This commandment have we, that he who loveth God love his brother also.

And now I beseech thee, sister, not as though I wrote a new commandment, but that which we had from the beginning,

That we love one another.

Have confidence in the Father, for in thus doing you have confidence in humanity, as they are but parts of the universal whole.— Spirit of Hosea Ballou.

Charity seeketh not her own.

REASON.

O REASON! in thy searching find us out, Arouse our souls and make us dare to doubt; Teach us to love, and only seek the truth, Though it may change all lessons taught in youth; Throw off our shackles, set our spirits free, And make us dare to think, and learn of thee!

-W. S. Barlow.

⁻ Mahomet.



BENEVOLENCE.

S HUT not thine ear against the cries of the poor; neither harden thine heart against the calamities of the unfortunate. When the fatherless call upon thee, when the widow's heart is sinking, and she imploreth thy assistance, oh, pity her affliction, and extend thy hand to those who have none to help them.

* Is there a gloom of sorrow | on thy | spirit? Do clouds o'erhang thee | and shut | out the | day? Go, seek thy neighbor's darkened | heart and | cheer it, And soon his smile shall | fright the | clouds a | way.

When thou seest the naked wanderer of the street shivering with cold and destitute of habitation, let bounty open thine heart; let the wings of charity shelter him from death, that thine own soul may live.

> Art thou crushed down, shut in thy | body | earthen, O'erladen with thy | troubles | sad and | lone ?
> Aid, then, thy neighbor with his | heavy | burden, And it shall cause thee | to for- | get thine | own.

Whilst the poor man groaneth on the bed of sickness, whilst the unfortunate languish in the horrors of a dungeon, or the hoary head of age lifts up a feeble eye to thee for pity, oh, how canst thou riot in superfluous enjoyments, regardless of their wants, unfeeling of their woes? — Sanscrit.

> Of what thou hast, impart un- | to thy | neighbor; To others do what | they should | do to | thee.
> If thou need'st aid, then give thy | hearty | labor To make on want's cold | hearth a | jubi- | lee.

THE AMERICAN DELEGATION.

THE church and the government are but developments of the people.

How can they advance and improve the causes of their existence?

Be watchful, O Americans!

Lest ye become worshippers at the shrine of St. Custom !

When ye think that thy government is complete,

Then art thou on the way to death !

When ye think that thy church can enlighten thee,

Then art thou on the road to papal supremacy ! Let thy people proclaim, Peace Justice, Love, Law, Right, Liberty ! — Spiritual Congress.



HOPE.

*HE promises of hope are sweeter than roses in the bud, and far more . flattering to expectation; but the threatenings of fear are a terror to the heart.

Let not thine heart sink within thee from the phantoms of imagination; for if thou believest a thing is impossible, thy despondency shall make it so. He that persevereth shall overcome all difficulties. - Sanscrit.

> * If we never wept or wearied, Life would surfeit and decay, And the smiles of hope be buried In the shimmer of a day.

Take heart! the Master builds again ; A charmed life old goodness hath.

* Age and sorrow, gloom and gladness, Mingle in this changeful fate, But the birthright of our sadness Is the soul's divine estate.

HUMILITY.

 B^{E} not impatient to mount higher than thou canst see, nor haste to hold more wisdom then there are more wisdom than thou canst comprehend. Avoid the poison of ambition, for its temptation, stealing the sunshine of thy heart, will allure thee to seem what thou art not. - Spirit of J. Victor Wilson.

Who soars too near the sun with golden wings melts them.

- Shakspeare.

Let reputation go, for the sake of a principle, and in due time you will be in good repute.

Humble valleys thrive with their bosoms full of flowers. - Ford. We are the weakest when we think ourselves the strongest. Lowliness is the base of all virtues.







SACRED SILENCE.

N EVER with blasts of trumpets And the chariot wheels of fame, Do the servants and sons of the Highest His oracles proclaim; But when grandest truths are uttered, And when holiest depths are stirred, When our God himself draws nearest, The still, small voice is heard. Unheralded and unheeded His revelations come; His prophets before their scorners Stand resolute, yet dumb; But a thousand years of silence, And the world falls to adore And kiss the feet of the martyrs They crucified before !

Shall I have a part in the labor, In the silence and the might Of the plans divine, eternal, That he opens to my sight? In the strength and the inspiration That his crowned and chosen know ? Oh, well might my darkest sorrow Into songs of triumph flow !

THE WORD OF GOD.

 $T^{\rm HE}$ genius of the living whole is within us and the essence itself of our spiritual being.

Where God is, religion is, syllabled by a thousand dialects :

Here breathed in the mild accents of meditative wisdom :

There hymned sweet, flute-like, infinitely melodious, from the lips of enchanted saints:

Again blown across the passionate turmoil of time in the hearts of indignant prophets;

But ever the same Word, ever the voice of the Spirit, saying, I AM ! -D. A. Wassan.



Forgiveness.

L OVE your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them that despitefully use you and persecute you. * — $\mathcal{F}esus$.

Shut not thy bosom to the tenderness of love; the purity of its flower shall ennoble thine heart, and soften it to receive the fairest impressions.

> Forgive and forget! why, the world would be lonely, The garden, a wilderness left to deform,
> If the flowers but remembered the chilling blast only, And fields gave no verdure for fear of the storm.

Regard every sinner as a lawful heir of God's love and goodness. —*Child*. With malice toward none, with charity toward all. — *Lincoln*.

Away with the clouds from thy beautiful vision;
 That brow was no home for such frowns to have met;
 Oh, how could our tried spirits e'er hope for elysian,
 If Heav'n should refuse to forgive and forget !

In the light of genuine spiritual illumination, no human being can be condemned. -Loveland.

RATIOS OF LIFE.

THE next life is but the continuation of this; we begin there where we close here. If we are upon low planes here, we shall enter upon low planes there. If here we sustain high relations to wisdom and goodness, we shall there also. - Gerrit Smith.

This life is but the horoscope of the future. Try, then, and make the present as glad and golden as the future you would like to see. -A Spirit.

A man's true wealth hereafter is the good he does in this world to his fellow-men. When he dies, people will say, "What property has he left behind him?" But the angels who examine him will ask, "What good deeds hast thou sent before thee?" -Mahomet.

- Sanscrit.

IMMORTALITY.

THERE was no beginning; no creations; only new combinations and formations. I say there for formations. IAM, therefore, eternally was, eternally shall be.

By birthright we are immortal.

The casket breaks, and lo, the child of angelhood!

The soul emerges from its chrysalis state, as free as the planet on which it had its birth.

The maternity of earth is indelibly engraved upon us.

We shall know each other there.

OME, gather ye in pensive review of a father's virtues, lingering as ✓ sweets of the dead rose upon its leafless stalk.

A father's wisdom is a rock of defence; his good example is precious; his love is sacred.

All ye that know him bemoan him; and all ye, remembering his name, will say, How is the strong staff and the beautiful rod broken !

But lo, the staff doth blossom now a young tree in the garden of God! Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted.

TONE knew her but to love her, nor named her but to praise.

For who is like a mother among them that are on all the earth?

She openeth her mouth with wisdom, and on her tongue is the law of kindness.

Her children rise up and call her blessed.

Precious is her memory; the remembrance of her goodness shall be as a healing balm.

Yea, plant flowers upon her grave as the emblems of her maternal presence.

And oh, when life is ended, and she waits On the bright threshold of the blest for us, How like the sweet accustoming will be The far felt lustre of that look of love ! And how like our remembered welcomes home Will be her brighter welcoming to heaven !

*HILDREN are tender olive-trees growing up in our homes. When v touched by the frosty fingers of death, they are transplanted to the more congenial climes of heaven, to bear their ripened fruitage.

They are immortal from the sacred moment of incarnation.

Deprived of the mortal experiences of life, they are wafted to the sphere of innocence to be educated by the angels.
Spirit Echoes.

EDEN'S FIRST BLOOM.



 $T^{\mathrm{HERE}}_{\mathrm{dies}}$ is no absolute loss in the universe; everything, dying, dies upward to subserve some divine purpose in the economy of the Infinite.

In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you; I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself; that where I am, ye may be also.

The brightest crowns worn in heaven were tried, polished, and glorified in the furnace of earthly sufferings.

For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.

Who are these that are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? These are they that came out of great tribulation. Angels shall lead them unto living fountains, and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

Look not mournfully into the past; it comes not back. Wisely improve the present; it is thine. Go forth to meet the shadowy future without fear, and with a manly heart. -A. J. Davis.

O MOTHER Nature! we lay in thy tender bosom what is thine, dust to dust, ashes to ashes; but the spirit to God who gave it! O angels! receive your new charge! Peace, peace be still!

> Open thyself, O earth ! and press not too heavily; Be easy of access and approach to the form; As a mother with the rose her child, So do thou cover it, O earth !

-Vedic Hymn.

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