

Dreams he of life? O, then a noble maid
 Toward him floats, with eyes of starry light,
 In richest robes all radiantly arrayed
 To be his ladye and his dear delight.
 Ah no! the distance shows a winding stream;
 No lovely ladye comes, no starry eyes do gleam.

Cold is the air, and cold the mountains blue;
 The banks are brown, and men are lying there,
 Meagre and old. But what have they to do
 With joyous visions of a youth so fair?
 He must not ever sleep as they are sleeping,
 Onward through life he should be ever sweeping.

Let the pale glimmering distance pass away;
 Why in the twilight art thou slumbering there?
 Wake and come forth into triumphant day,
 Thy life and deeds must all be great and fair;
 Canst thou not from the lily learn true glory,
 Pure, lofty, lowly? — Such should be thy story.

But no! I see thou lov'st the deep-eyed Past,
 And thy heart clings to sweet remembrances.
 In dim cathedral-aisle thou'lt linger last
 And fill thy mind with fitting fantasies.
 Yet know, dear One, the world is rich to-day,
 And the unceasing God gives glory forth alway.

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