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CHARITY.

Two trains clashed; then and there he was crushed in a moment and died.

But the now-wedded wife was unharmed, tho' sitting close at his side.

She found my letter upon him, my wail of reproach and scorn;

I had cursed the woman he married, and him, and the day I was born.

They put him aside forever, and after a week--no more, A stranger as welcome as Satan--a widow came to my door.

So I turned my face to the wall; I was mad. I was revenging wild;

I was close on that hour of dishonor, the birth of a base-born child.

* * * * *

I had cursed her as woman and wife, and in wife and woman I found

The tenderest Christ-like creature that ever stepped on the ground.

She watch'd me, she nursed me, she fed me, she sat night and day by my bed,

Till the joyless birthday came of a boy born happily dead.

And we prayed together for him, for him who had given her the name.

She had left me enough to live on. I need no wages of shame.

She died of a fever, caught when a nurse in a hospital ward.

She is high in the heaven of heavens, she is face to face with the Lord.

And He sees not her like anywhere in this pitiless world of ours!

I have told you my tale. Get you gone. I am dressing her grave with flowers.

TENNISON.

Rise, then, now, oh fair Atlantian thought,
Temple of power, in Wisdom's silence wrought.
"Foursquare," indeed, with jewels manifold
And Jasper walls and streets of shining gold:
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ON TO THE GOAL!

To the goal! To the goal!

On, on!

There is a Heaven in the soul,
That has soon the way brightning;
That has seen God's swift lightning
Sweep its fiery path along
To the heart of the wrong;

That has seen the rays of promise shining in the younger dawn!

On, on!

Never stop, never rest!

On, on!

There is a throne in the West,
Shining through a mist of dream,
Where the people reign supreme;
And that empire will be found,
When the slave has been unbound;

When we work for one another, and the reign of greed is done!

On, on!

To the Golden Age that waits,

On, on!

Open wide the morning's gates,
That will flood the Future's face
With the light of better days;
That will let the glory forth
Of a Heaven upon earth,

With Fraternity, Equality and Liberty begun!

On, on!

To the better, to the brighter,

On, on!

Where the human path grows lighter;
Where the love of man is ever
Like a sunny, winding river,
Broader, deeper, fuller, growing,
Onward through the nations flowing,

Till it links the world together, and the people are as one!

On, on!

The young world is 'sweeping

On, on!

Their paths the stars are keeping,
Let humanity despair not,
And its heavy burdens bear not.

While the earth is swinging downward,
Let it keep its journey upward.

Till the hate, the wrong, the tyranny, that bind the human down,

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Two trains clashed; then and there he was crushed in a moment and died.
But the now-wedded wife was unharmed, tho' sitting close at his side.

She found my letter upon him, my wail of reproach and scorn;

I had cursed the woman he married, and him, and the day I was born.

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So I turned my face to the wall; I was mad, I was roving wild;

I was close on that hour of dishonor, the birth of a base-born child.

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I had curst her as woman and wife, and in wife and woman I found

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Till the joyless birthday came of a boy born happily dead.

And we prayed together for him, for him who had given her the name.

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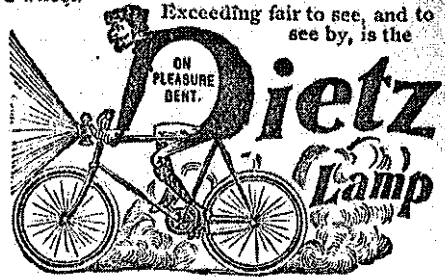
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