

Thy spirit blended with thy voice;
Whether you bane the heart, repace,
Or touch'd the cords of love and fear,
Or dim'd the eye with pity's tear,
I've listen'd while my young heart beat
Most wildly, held communion sweet
In that delicious dreamy mood,
When all we know of pure and good,
Is with us; what a piteous wreck,
Low humming, as thy heart would break.
Thy mournful tones have hush'd to rest
The famish'd infant on thy breast.
Now thou tun'st thy voice to gladness,
Tho' thy soul's surcharg'd with sadness,
The theme is love; thy tones aspire
To something of their former fire.
But e'en in this rebuff to care,
I recognize thy voice, despair.
Poor Anna! thine, by clouds are dim,
And reason is wavering within;
Yet still thy lineaments retain
The glow of female pride and shame.
Thy features of an holy cast,
Born of, and living on the past,
For him to whom thy heart was given,
From thine arms, and his country driven
To fight the battles of the few,
Who will not deign to look on you?
Hope, for awhile hush'd those alarms,
All but restored him to thy arms;
Then, with a woman's pride, you strove
For that demanded right of your loves;