

"NEGLECT NOT THE GIFT THAT IS IN THEE."

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DWELLER IN HEAVEN.

Dweller in heaven high, Ruler below,

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Fain would I know Thee, yet tremble to know !

How can a mortal deem, how may it be,

That being can ne'er be but present with Thee?

Is it true that Thou sawest me ere I saw the morn?

Is it true that Thou knewest me before I was born?

That nature must live in the light of thine eye?-

This knowledge for me is too great and too high.

That, fly I to noon-day, or fly I to-night,

- To shroud me in darkness or bathe me in light;
- The light and the darkness to Thee are the same,

And still in Thy presence of wonder I am? Should I with the dove to the desert repair, Or dwell with the eagle in clough of the air; In the desert afar, on the mountain's wild brink,

From the eye of Omnipotence still must I shrink !

Or mount I, on wings of the morning, away To caves of the ocean, unseen by the day, And hide in these uttermost parts of the sea, Even there to be living and moving in Thee;

- Nay, scale I the cloud in the heavens to dwell,
- Or make I my bed in the shadows of hell,
- Can science expound, or humanity frame, That still Thou art present, and all are the same!

- Yes, present forever ! Almighty ! alone ! Great spirit of nature, unbounded, unknown,
- What mind can embody thy presence divine !
- I know not my own being, how can I Thine?

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Then humbly and low in the dust let me bend,

And adore what on earth I can ne'er comprehend;

The mountains may melt, and the elements flee,

Yet a universe still be rejoicing in Thee.

-James Hogg, better known as "The Ettrick Shepherd."

THE PILGRIMAGE.

VIII.

Next day, by train, we leave Scotland, passing along the west coast-by Solway Firth, and through a mining country, to Keswick in the Eaglish Lake district, a small market town close to Derwentwater, and amid fine mountain scenery. "This 'ake, three miles long and one mile wide, is the loveliest of the English Lakes, where the picturesque variety of the steep, wooded crags, and green hills rising from its banks, and the grouping of its islands, delight the vision." But we did not see "how the water comes down at Lodore," whose falls were very near.

By coach we are carried over a mountain pass, and through the heart of the lake district, passing Thirlmere and Grassmere lakes and and vales, the scenery being most lovely and romantic, to Rydal water and Rydal Mount, the former home of the poet Words-In this vicinity Southey and worth. Coleridge also lived. We stay over First-day at Ambleside, situated in the valley of the Rothay. The morning is warm and bright, and a short walk brings us to the ivy clad "knoll," the former residence of Harriet Martineau, Back from the road a little space, its windows face the mountains, and there is a large sun dial on the lawn, clearly defining the hour It is "morn amid the mountains, lovely solitude," and in this quiet vale, with the beauties of nature thrilling the senses, and the music of distant cathedral chimes, calling to the outward expression of inward aspiration, our hearts responded, "God is good."

Leaving this place, we embark on Lake Windermere (the winding lake)