

## The Kaiser Abdicates

YOUR fawning priests, that claim to comprehend

The laws of God and show His will to men,  
Instilled this poison in my willing ears:—  
By birth, God's special act, had I been called  
To lead His people to a higher plane,  
And make them undisputed lords of earth:  
That, being thus ordained by Right Divine,  
Vicegerent of Almighty God was I,  
And who my will opposed, resisted God;  
That in my dream of conquering the world,  
It mattered not how many foemen fell  
A sacrifice upon my Moloch shrine;  
The life-blood welling from a million hearts  
Counted for nothing with one drop of mine.  
The devastation, and all horrors wrought  
When I rode forth to conquer other lands,  
Were retribution due to foes of God,  
And merited the highest meed of praise.  
And when, thus taught by holy men who held  
In keeping all the oracles of God,  
I too presumed to don the priestly robe  
And from the altar mouth my wanton boasts,  
Ye stood elated at my vaunts profane,  
And flattered me as if I were a god.