

Snowdrop, crocus, primrose, daisies,
And the periwinkle blue,
Make the starry chain of praises
That avows His love so true.

Violets and daffodillies,
Venus's sacred myrtle vine,
Blushing rose and fairest lilies,
Love and flattery combine.

And one flower of flaunting brightness
Mid them all we now behold;
'Tis her lover's faithful likeness—
Shining, sun-like marigold!