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TWILIGHT.

How calm the length ning shadows rest, At close of Sabbath-day, On Nature's dear old furrowed face, And smoothe her cares away.

So to my weary heart there comes
A sweetly peaceful shade,
That wraps within its calm embrace
Like murmuring brook in glade.

Thy loving hand my shade imparts, My Saviour and my Friend; LONDON. Thy care, my rock and shadow are My covert to defend.

So resting, sheltered safe in Thee, Each eastern wind that blows, And summer's every scorching ray, Is tempered to repose.

And gently o'er my spirit comes This sweetest Sabbath calm, Like perfume of a summer rose, Or music of a psalm.

B. B.

"CASTING ALL YOUR CARE UPON HIM."

l Peter v. 7.

H. W. B.

What! all our burdens—every little trial—
The cares that seem so very, very small?
We know that heavy griefs He soothes and lightens,
But does He note, and will He carry all?

When at our waking everything seems dreary, And all day long our spirits are at strife With little, never-ending, ever-changing Annoyances that fill the thread of Life.

And when we do our best, yet fail of pleasing,
And they to whom our very lives are given,
So little comprehend, so little heed us—
Do these things touch the heart of Christ in heaven?

And may we tell Him all things, nor offend Him?
Will He not weary of our ceaseless 'plaint?
And does He care to have us 'ring before Him
Our every need with childlike unconstraint?