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GOD KNOWS.

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*I will not murmur when small things go wrong,
When plans of mine long cherished weaken, fall ;
When hushed upon my lips is life's glad song ;
When joys long sought have vanished past recall,—
God knows—God knows*

*I will not weakly weep the hours away,
Though Marah's waters flow around my feet,
Though life's fair sky be shadowed leaden gray,
Though rue be mine instead of roses sweet,—
God knows,—God knows.*

*I will not drop from weary hands, toil-worn,
The task unfinished, though a burden sore ;
Though earth's fair pleasures from my grasp be torn,
Though sorrow's keenest pain my cup brim o'er,—
God knows,—God knows.*

*I will not hold my sorrows or my joy
Too sacred to be laid before His throne ;
I will not sully service with alloy,
Though every plan of mine be overthrown,—
God knows,—God knows.*

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