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"Winter is now past," etc.—Cant.

ES! "the long and dreary winter"
Happily has passed away,
And the golden sun is shining
O'er Our Lady's month of May.

Like her robe its fragrant blossoms,
Like her veil its cloudlets white;
Like her diadem, those star-gems
Gleaming in the tranquil night.

Science, art, and inspiration,
Group around this virgin fair;
All some master-piece would offer
As a votive-gift of prayer.

Sketches of a perfect beauty
Which so far excels high art,
Melodies, reverberating
With the sweetness of her heart.

Wondrous thoughts of erudition
Graceful in their imagery,
Greet her mild maternal queendom
Over earth, and sky, and sea.

Oft I think my gift poetic
Now has well nigh ebb'd away,
Are its murmurs but discordance
In the sweeter songs of May?

No! the golden harps are thrilling
In God's land of light above,
Yet, through Mary's Heart their echoes
Each low sigh of exile love.

—ENFANT DE MARIE.