

Poetry.

WOMAN'S RIGHTS.

O thou woman! high and holy is thy mission,  
Blest is the sceptre placed with n thy hand,  
Thou'rt crown'd a queen, by God's divine commission,  
O'er household bands

A holy wife! Ah! who can count the blessings!  
Man's solace in the dark and trying hours,  
When earth forsake, still tenderly care sing,  
Thro' love's deep flow'r

A holy mother! Golden link!—uniting  
Her cherish'd lov'd ones to the throne of God,  
By faithful prayer, and holy life inviting,  
To Heav'n's abode.

Those whisper'd prayers so full of deep sensation,  
That gentle hand press'd on the youthful head,  
Felt often in the hours of dark temptation,  
When she is dead.

A holy woman! Who can tell her power?  
Casting abroad her seed of precious worth,  
No human pen can count till the great hour  
When germs spring forth.

In that bright morning, when the harvest reaping,  
To gather in His sheaves the Saviour comes;  
Ah! thou the seed the sowed, with secret weeping,  
In heav'n will bloom.

This is thy mission,—bles-ed pure, and holy;  
Step not aside the higher paths to tread  
Of man's ambition, but be meek and lowly,  
Thus safely lead.

Along the path, by God himself directed,  
His blessing rests on thee, His smile approves,  
Thro' life supported, and in death protected,  
By Jesus' love

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