

In majesty they move with wondrous speed
From pole to pole in universal space :
In majesty they glow with sapphire light,
And spread above a glorious canopy
With gems, the jewels of wondrous Nature lit,
Which from the time of her nativity
Were placed, her beauteous person to adorn
Throughout the ages of eternity.

O sublime universe ! O glorious worlds !
What homage do ye pay to this, the Earth,
Ye who do shine by day, and then by night ?
Are ye the servants of this vain orb, living
To fulfil that humble charge ? To that ordained ?
Ye boundless and eternal multitudes
That guard with lasting light the vacancies,
That lend such lustre to the infinite,
And people the deep realms of chaos with
Mysterious fire, are ye obedient to
The mandates of this atom floating on
The universal winds ?

Nay ! speak not thus
Of worlds that countless as the sands, move in
Majestic sway to Nature's laws. All were