

Abolition of War -

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When War's unholy fury flares, -
"This incubus of thousand years," -
This horrid monster that impairs
The peoples' peace with fulsome fears; -
Engenders aftermaths of spite
From the embattled misery, -
Intolerable, cruelty to invite, -
Calumnious rampage sanguine;
How long, how long, shall "Adam's sin"
Still linger on in Martian shame, -
Perturb with its destructive din
Imperiled Civilization's name? -
Shall Christianity seem to fail, -
The Saviour's doctination vain
Appear, with muskets', cannons' hail, -
Respect for manly life disdain? -
Let those placed in authority
Conserve a peaceful attitude, -
Consider, weigh, and be imbued
With unrestrained tranquillity; -
Shirk full resort to arms, and strive
To further Human Brotherhood; -
Its blest irradiance keep alive
With love of God and man endued!