

The Voyager.

Day on the waters divinely is breaking,
 As with an angel's smile chearing the night :
 Bland on his brow the fresh breezes awaking,
 Thrill the sick voyager's breast with delight.

Round him expands the wide plain of the ocean,
 Plough'd by the vessel's impetuous keel :
 Swift he approaches, with joyful emotion,
 The heaven that soon all his sickness shall heal.

Thus, when the voyage of time shall be over,
 Toss'd on whose billows heart-sicken'd we lie ;
 O, on eternity's morn to discover
 Landscapes in paradise brightening nigh !

Then all the troubles, at present so bitter,
 Will but enhance the enjoyments at hand ;
 As the rough passage but renders the sweeter
 Comforts that soothe us on reaching the land.

John Burns.

I saw in a vision of the night three stars, one representing my then departed father. The first star I saw was a very small one, and then the Lord showed me a larger one, and oh, what refulgent rays appeared round and round the second star ! The Lord then said, "Do you see what a little star your father is ? Do you know how he buried up his talents ?" Thus I was led to see his crown without a star, for I saw no rays from this star which represented a crown. Then I saw in this the meaning of this scripture ; One star differeth from another star in glory. Brethren you are either planting stars in your crown, or weaving for yourselves a starless one, if any at all. Consider yourselves and see which you are doing !

One reason why we don't have more answers to our prayers is because we are not thankful enough. The divine injunction is, "Be careful for nothing ; but in everything by prayer and supplication, *with thanksgiving*, let your requests be made known unto God." Some one has well said there are three things in this verse : careful for nothing—prayerful for everything—thankful for anything.