THE VOICE OF THE RIVER

THERE is a voice expressive of an influence divine,

It calleth not from market-place nor from the glittering mine;

It is heard among the mountains, where the rocks are washed and worn

By the tumbling of the torrent, and the rivulet is born.

It is morning in the valleys, where the swelling water flows,

And the rolling river's body is chilled by melting snows;

But the waters hail the open, 'neath the glow of golden skies,

And the moaning melts in singing, where gauzy mists arise.