Song of the Four Worlds.

(BLISS CARMAN.)

Is it northward, little friend?
And she whispered, "What is there?"

There are people who are loyal to the glory of their past,

Who held by heart's tradition, and will hold it to the last;

Who would not sell in shame

The honor of their name,

Though the world were in the balance and a sword thereon were cast.

Oh, there the ice is breaking, the brooks are running free,

A robin calls at twilight from a tall spruce tree,

And the light canoes go down

Past, portage, camp and town,

By the rivers that make murmur in the lands along the sea.

And she said, "It is not there,
Though I love you, love you dear;
I cannot bind my little heart with loves of yesteryear."