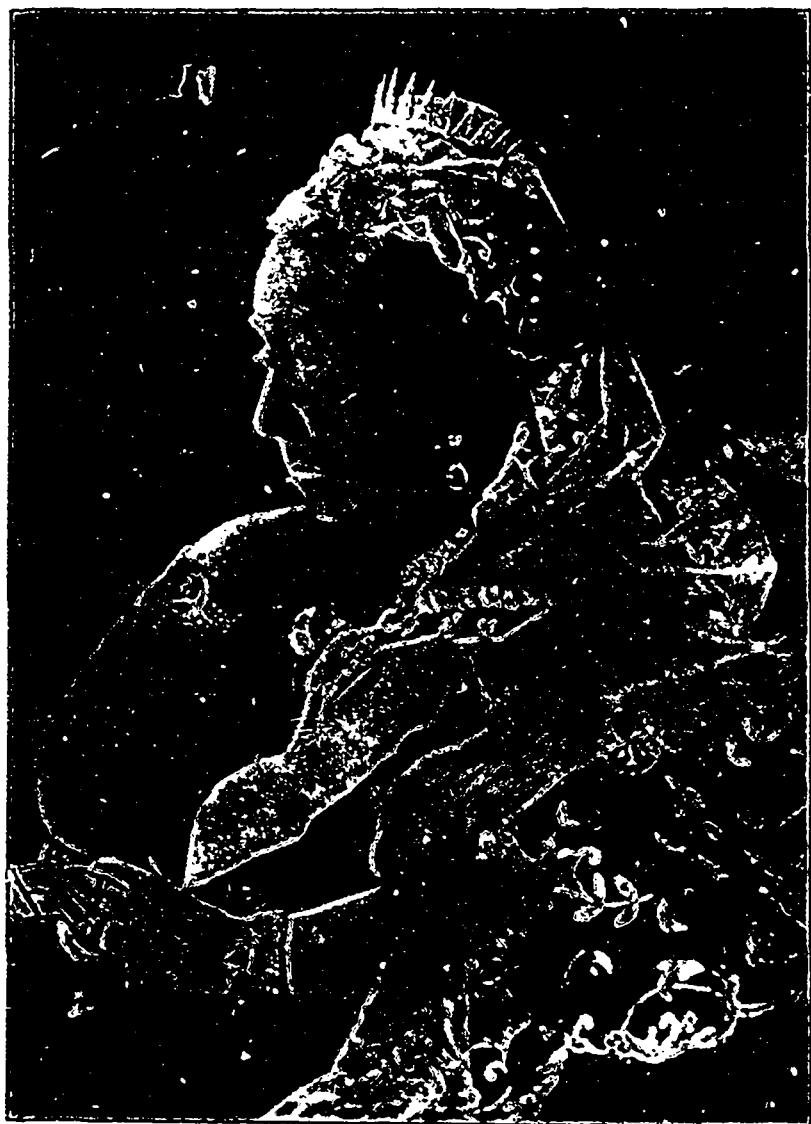


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QUEEN VICTORIA

Born	- - - - -	May 24th, 1819
Commenced to Reign	- - - - -	June 20th, 1837
Crowned	- - - - -	June 28th, 1838
Married	- - - - -	February 10th, 1840
Widowed	- - - - -	December 14th, 1861
Died	- - - - -	January 22nd, 1901
Buried	- - - - -	February 2nd, 1901

### A WOMAN'S TRIBUTE.

Colossal woman of an epoch past,  
 Your long eventful pilgrimage is done;  
 Yet shall the influence of your goodness last  
 When later centuries their course have run.

Imperial, not imperious, was your sway  
 More than an Empress, greater than a Queen,  
 The watchful world beheld in you alway  
 A virtuous woman of benignant mien.

Peace was your purpose, progress was your aim,  
 Fair Justice was your large soul's honored guest,  
 When War, relentless and relentless, came,  
 The tender heart broke in your woman's breast.

No implous lust for power deified your mind,  
 Concerned with but the ultimate good of earth,  
 Because you lived, shall unborn rulers find  
 A nobler meaning in imperial birth.

ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.



### TENNYSON'S TRIBUTE.

Take, madam, this poor book of song;  
 For tho' the faults were thick as dust  
 In vacant chambers, I could trust  
 Your kindness. May you rule us long.

And leave us rulers of your blood  
 As noble till the latest day;  
 May children of our children say,  
 "She wrought her people lasting good;

" Her court was pure; her life serene;  
 God gave her peace; her land reposed;  
 A thousand claims to reverence closed  
 In her as mother, wife and Queen;

" And statesmen at her council met  
 Who know the seasons when to take  
 Occasion by the hand, and make  
 The bounds of freedom wider yet

" By shaping some august decree,  
 Which kept her throne unshaken still,  
 Broad-based upon her people's will,  
 And compass'd by the inviolate sea!"

ALFRED TENNYSON.