

The light within. She felt a flash like pain,
 Of some great joy. Nor could her hand keep down
 The sudden heart-beat as she welcomed him
 With hard enforced composure. He had been
 A very Paladin in deeds of arms
 Throughout the bloody fray at Newark. None
 Had been more brave and helpful in the field,
 Playing the deadly game like chess, as cool
 And wary to withhold, as prompt to strike.
 A soldier with the seed in him, that grows
 With time into a hero of the age.

A handsome youth, indeed ; strong, straight of limb,
 Tall, tawny-haired, with face that got its bloom
 Where salt sea-breezes overblow the shores
 Of that fair land of old,—Deira called,
 Whose children in the Roman Forum stood
 When Gregory passed. "*Hi Angeli!*" said he,
 "*Non Angli sunt!*" and looked amazed. "They are
 Too beautiful for heathen, lost to God !
 Angels, not Angles ! Were the Gospel sent
 Among them, they were chiefest of the earth !
 The world's great rulers in the times to come !"
 Of that fair race was Basil of "The King's."

A man to love, and Isa loved him well ;
 Nor guessed her love's immeasurable height.
 A man to fear ; for if he went astray
 With his great intellect the gloomy road
 Of doubt, denial, lack of faith in God,
 A soul perverted, which, if guided right,
 Had been a morning star to men that wake
 In the third watch at dawning of the day,
 To show the world a new and better way ;
 Like him who fell like lightning from the stars
 Of knowledge into darkness, so at last
 Would fall young Basil, like a temple struck
 In all its parts, pillar, and arch, and roof,
 Tumbled in heaps on its foundation stones.

Nature had moulded him a form for use
 Of all things good and true, and yet at heart
 He was a heathen. Only things he saw
 And felt, and weighed, and measured by the rules
 Of science, and what seemed philosophy,
 Believed he. Perfect in the sense of things
 Material ; but in things above the sense,
 That man has common with the birds and beasts—
 The suprasensual, spiritual, divine,
 Discreted in the soul of man, and fenced