Poetry.

THE DYING MOTHER.

My children I am passing, and I see Upon the full tops, linguing stay, Just shimmering o'er life's scenery, One least one lingering ray, And there are voices in the air And there are voices in the air
That do not come
Stirr'd by the breezes I am wont to hear,
When far from home.—
But lower in the soul, as though beneath
The lake's unruffied boson deep.
There was some power that gave it breath.
And woke its surface from its leaden sleep:
Ye cannot hear it—no, the falling leaf,
That nestles mind the pebbles on its altore,
Catches the eye only to tell how brief
That Sommer life which does and lives no more
My clubbren. I am passing—from the peaks
Of the wast mountains of eternity
The pencill'd light is seen,—to me it speaks:—
"The morn is here at lest, and calls for thee;
And here are spirit-wings—thy upward flight
Is as the eagle's toward the glowing sun;—
A moment vet—then shadows of the night
Are pass'd, and le ithy cartily work is done?
My spirit feels a force that presses strong.
Like currents sweeping down some mightly bay,—
Life's cables part—hurries the bark along,
Till, one by one, her every cord gives way?
Well, I am ready—feel this outward form
Changing to crastaline, like the dark lead
Fused in death's crucible, sub, glad and warm
Through the dull mass the living rays have sped.
O, beauty, beauty I could my language grasp
The visions that exhilitate, expand, o'erpower,
Friends that immornal sympathies can clasp,
That know no parting sign, no changing hour—
They gather round me in their glorious sheen.
Till the whole heavens reflect the wondrous grow
So have I from some warken'd yalley seen
The glorious sun rise on the mountain's snow,
And longing to ascend the ether blue.
I'll on those hist tops I might be,
And gaze and gase upon the boundless view,
I'hat reaches from this carth, O Goit, to thee I
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