I ONLY SING FOR THOSE I LOVE.

BY CARROLL RYAN.

I only sing for those I love,
Nor care for praise or blame
From lips whose smilings only prove
Them heartless, cold, or tame.
But those that love and suffer may
Find solace in my songs,
For only unto such as they
My wild, sad strain belongs.

I will not curb my spirit down
To earth or earthly eyes,
Nor hang upon the smile or frown
Of those I do not prize.
I have a kingdom of my own,
The world and men above,
Which is my home, so I alone
Will sing for those I love.