

Sing for my praise and homage a canticle to these
 A hymn of the beauty of Earth and the thunder of the seas
 A chant of the firm-based hills that sentinel stand for aye
 Of the sun-blessed fields and flowers that bask in smiling day
 Sing of the soul of man in sombre or joyous mood
 The Lord, not man is Judge, if the singer's work be good"
 And ever the poet adoring chants of the gifts of God
 (The mountains quake to His whisper—the Spheres obey His nod)
 Bounty and love and goodness in stream and field and flower
 His wrath in the rushing storm, in the pathless seas His power
 God's kingdom in His Creatures—God's reign in the soul of man
 The Hymn of the Stars of Morning out-poured when the world
 [began.

A Non-Catholic Tribute.

Sir Humphrey Davy in his "Consolations in Travel," after describing an interview at Fontainebleau with Pius VII who had blessed a rosary brought by his visitor from the Holy Land, writes :

"It was eighteen months after this interview that I went out with almost the whole population of Rome to receive and welcome the triumphal entry of this illustrious Father of the Church into his capital. He was borne on the shoulders of the most distinguished artists, headed by Canova, and never shall I forget the enthusiasm with which he was received. It is impossible to describe the shouts of triumph and rapture sent up to heaven by every voice. And when he gave his benediction to the people, there was a universal prostration,—a sobbing and marks of emotions of joy, like the bursting of the heart. I heard everywhere around me cries of "Holy Father,—the most Holy Father ! His restoration is the work of God !" I saw tears streaming from the eyes of almost all the women around me,—many of them were sobbing hysterically and old men were weeping as if they had been children. I pressed my rosary to my breast on this occasion, and repeatedly touched with my lips that part of it which had received the kiss of the most venerated Pontiff. I preserve it with a kind of hallowed sentiment, as the memorial of a man whose sanctity, firmness, meekness and benevolence are an honor to his church and to human nature."