

## PARADISE A REALITY.

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**P**ARADISE is no dreamland, or fanciful creation of the human mind, but a place where "the streams thereof make glad the city of our God." The Paradise of the future is as much a reality as the Paradise of the past.

"Out and away, somewhere, it will be found,  
The Central Throne, the Palace of the King,  
Where God Himself His own is welcoming,  
And white-robed saints eternally are crowned—  
Where all celestial ecstasies abound.  
The bliss of bloom, beneath the cloudless skies,  
Like love, unfolds to love's bewildered eyes,  
And love's soft song melts in delicious sound.  
When shall I reach that high and holy clime?  
My friends go up in chariots of light,  
While I must wait for all their bliss sublime.  
Hush! Taught of God, I rise to new delight:  
And, as the lake reflects the skies above,  
Find heaven abides, e'en here, in the pure heart of love."

Whence comes this love for the unseen, this longing