Than the charging word, the flashing sword, Or the foeman's cloven mail.

Wher'er their joyous breath is heard,

There Tyranny's dark throne is stirr'd-

There man's worst despots fly— Upsprings the slave, his chain is riven— The Christian altar points to Heaven—

And Freedom's triumph's nigh. And while a dwelling rests on earth For genius, chivalry, or worth,

Shall grateful millions pray :

"Let victory bless fair Britain's clime,

" Darling of Fame's heroic rhyme-

"And perish but with failing Time "The Christian Empire's sway."

## AN EASTER HYMN.

He is risen; Christ is risen; Death's destroyer from his prison,

- Glorious in the Paschal sunlight, treads our God the ransomed Earth;
- Lo! the Angel-shape descending-Lol the rock-tound dungeon rending,

Victory to the seed of woman-Holy be our Easter mirth.

- Gone the earthquake and the wonder, and the black graves yawning under,
  - Sheeted phantoms upward gliding-fiery lightnings launch'd abroad,

And the veil-screen rent asunder, and the war of judgment thunder Earth in fear and darkness hiding from the death scene of her God.

He is risen-joyful voices on Tiberias' sparkling sea;

Spring hath strewn her fairest colours on the vales of Galilee;

Grey Tabor stands transfigur'd in the flush of golden light,

And Jordan through his bursting vines is flashing clear and bright