REUNITED

ONCE more, once more! That golden eventide!

Golden within, without all cold and grey,

Slowly you came forth from the troubled day,

Singing my heart—you glided to my side;

You glided in; the same grave, quiet face,

The same deep look, the never-ending light
In your proud eyes, eyes shining through the night,
That night of absence—distance—from your place.

Calm words, slow touch of hand, but, oh, the cry,
The long, long cry of passion and of joy
Within my heart; the star-burst in the sky—

The world—our world—which time may not destroy! Your world and mine, unutterably sweet: Dearest, once more, the old song at thy feet.