The fabric, lasting after mind's decay,
Must in its turn complete its final day,
And though its threads are scattered in
the wind,

May even so bring light upon the way.

XVIII.

Where are the wonders gone of ancient days?

What of the marvels that the earth displays,

And we ourselves who may rebuild again That wondrous temple e'er our own decays.

XIX.

Poets are gone—and still the song birds sing.

A king is dead—and so, long live the king.

The spirit of the world is ever young; It is not life, 'tis what to life I bring.

XX.

The Realization of Simplicity

I must not sneer at foolish or unwise

But think of knowledge gained, in every guise,

And feel that every truth that I have gleaned

Perchance is their's, whom all the worlds despise.