But the resurrection cometh
On the balmy breath of Spring;
Flora's wreath of beauty bloometh
With the year's first offering.

All earth's tender loves and greeting
Are not lost for evermore;
There 's a trysting place of meeting,
Waiting on th' eternal shore.

Clad in robes of vestal whiteness;
No more denizens of clay;
Broken links, one chain of brightness,
Never more to know decay.

No more hearts bowed down with anguish;
Mourning joys for ever flown;
Not one happy soul shall languish,
Kneeling round the great White Throne.
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Grand and instructive theme, for every mind,
To wander over History's varied page;
To watch our fathers, as they bravely climbed
The hill of knowledge in each darkened age.

One little star upon the troubled sky
Of heathen nations, meets our earnest gaze:
It points the way to bliss, in realms afar,
And draws from pious hearts a song of praise.