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*ONE half the world, with all its joy and gladness,
Knows not the cares and trials of all the other—
In shadow lie so many hearts : of grief and sadness
The happy half go on, unconscious ever.*

*Awake ! ye happy dwellers in the sunshine !
A thought, a care for those who suffer keep ;
Stir in your sleep, ye fortune-favored mortals !
Some in this world are born to toil and weep.*

*Mayhap 'tis but a cheering speech—a word
Dropt' from smiling lips when passing by ;
It cheers some wretched heart : a ray of sunshine
Lives forever in Eternity.*