Once above the waving grass,
Daisies spangled all the lawn,
Where the Lady used to pass,
In the summers that are gone.

Over-blooming lilacs leaned
On the dawn-hour's wakening breeze,
Till their showering petals screened
All the late anemonies.

And along the garden wall
Flamed a row of hollyhocks,
And a line of lilies tall
Swayed beside the gravel walks.

And a carol used to swell,
Even through the fall-time air,
Till the mellow twilight fell
On the Lady singing there.

But her sweet face never gleams

Now among those lonely bowers;
Yet a sound of music seems

Still to steal among the flowers.

Still the roses cling and bloom
All around her window-square;
Still the sunlight fills the room,
Still the roses scent the air;