



HIRED MOURNERS IN THE EAST.

Easter-Tide.

WHEN upon the Cross of Calvary,
The dear Saviour bowed His head,
Earth, to her foundation shaken,
Trembled with a mighty dread.
E'en the sun refused his shining,
For the Lord of Life was dead.

Through the darkness came the dawning
Of the resurrection day;
"Christ has risen!" sang the angels;
See the place where once He lay;
"Christ has risen!" shout ye nations,
Death's dark power has passed away.

Blessed words! their heavenly meaning
Sweeter grows as pass the years;
Fall they like a benediction
On our mortal doubts and fears,
Stillling all our anxious longings,
Breathing hope amid our tears.

O ye people, lift your voices!
Join to-day the angels' song,
Growing ever fuller, sweeter,
As the ages sweep along;
Sing how Christ the grave hath vanquished,
Bursting through its portals strong.
—Mary T. Morey, in *Advocate*.

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It may not be ours to utter convincing arguments, but it may be ours to live holy lives. It may not be ours to be subtle and learned and logical, but it may be ours to be noble and sweet and pure.—Canon Farrar.

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