O Mouse of Gold.



House of Gold! In temple dim
Whose peace draws weary souls to Him,
The thorn-crowned Christ, thou hast a home
Beneath the Tabernacle's dome;
Around the spot, their love outpouring,
Angelic hosts are now adoring.

O House of Gold! Before thee sways
The crimson light, its quiv'ring rays
E'er pierce the gloom, like Bethl'em's star
That led the Wise Men from afar;
With longing deep beyond earth's measure
My soul cries out: "Show me thy Treasure!"

O House of Gold! My fervent prayer
Is heard and granted,—opens there
The little door, unveiled, behold!
The Mystery thou dost enfold;
In answer to my heart's appealing
To me Christ is Himself revealing.

O House of Gold! How sweet and clear His words fall on enraptured ear:

"My child beloved come to Me
That I may give myself to Thee;
My heart with love of Thee is burning,
To dwell in Thee, its fondest yearning."

O House of Gold, what wonder this!
My spirit thrilled with perfect bliss
Can find no voice wherewith to say
A welcome meet for Him to day;
And yet He comes! His love caressing
My trembling soul with every blessing.

O House of Gold, He is all mine!
A palace for the King divine
This heart unworthy,—may it be
A home for Him, alway, like thee
Through life till death, my sweetest pleasure
To guard thy Sacramental Treasure.