- "And the days slipt on, and the years slipt on, and I felt in a kind of a dream,
- As I used to do in the noisy school sewing a long white seam;
- Sewing, sewing a long white seam, the whole of the summer day,
- When I'd like to have been in the open fields either at work or at play.
- "But now I feel as I used to feel in the summer evenings cool,
- When we bairns would meet at the end of the street, or edge of the village pool;
- Or like when I've stood at the gate to wait for father home from the town,
- And held him tight by the hand, or held mother tight by the gown.
- "And I feel to-night as I used to feel when I was a little lass,
- When something seem'd alive in the leaves and something astir in the grass;
- And all in the room seems warm and light, and I'm pleased to go or to stay;
- But I've got a word in my heart, Jeanie, that's calling me away."
- "Oh, what have you seen, Nannie, have you seen a blessed sight
- Of angels coming to meet you; have you heard them at dead of night?"

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