

Poetic Tributes to The Blessed Virgin.

The following lines of Wordsworth express sweetly the Catholic doctrine of the absolute singleness of Our Lady:

"Mother whose virgin bosom was uncrossed

With the least shade of thought to sin allied;

Woman above all women glorified—

Our tainted nature's solitary boast;

Purer than foam on central ocean tossed.

Brighter than eastern skies at daybreak strewn

With fancied roses, than the unblemished moon

Before her wane begins on heaven's blue coast,

Thy image falls to earth. Yet some, I ween

Not unforgiven, the suppliant knee might bend

As to a visible power, in which did blend

All that was wise and reconciled in thee

Of mother's love with maiden purity,

Of high with low, celestial with terrene."

("Ecclesiastical Sonnets.")

Among his "Memories" of a tour on the continent of Europe in 1820, Wordsworth has left a charming poem: "Our Lady of the Snow." One of the verses runs thus:

"Meek Virgin-Mother, more benign

Than fairest star, upon the height

Of thy own mountain, set to keep

Lone vigils through the hours of sleep

What eye can look upon thy shrine

Untroubled at the sight?

A poet whose character was diametrically opposite to that of the one just quoted was "the poet of tumultuous passions" Lord Byron. Humanity has ever been amazed at his wild life and eccentric genius. Surely an angel must have whispered in his soul when he wrote:

"Ave Maria! 'tis the hour of prayer,

Ave Maria! 'tis the hour of love;

Ave Maria! May our spirits dare

Look up to thine and to thy Son's above!

Ave Maria! oh, that face so fair,

Those downcast eyes beneath the

Almighty Dove."

(Written about 1820.)

One is not surprised that America's own neglected Longfellow should proclaim that the Virgin Mother has captivated the hearts of all sorts and conditions of men:

"Virgin and mother of our dear Redeemer!

All hearts are touched and softened at her name;

Alike the bandit with the bloody hand,

The priest, the prince, the scholar and the peasant,

The man of deeds, the visionary dreamer,

Pay homage to her as one ever present!

And if our faith had given us nothing more

Than this example of all womanhood

So mild, so merciful, so strong, so good,

So patient, peaceful, loyal, loving, pure—

This was enough to prove it higher and truer

Than all the creeds the world has known before."

—The Golden Legend.

With all the charm and simplicity of a child's prayer are the following lines from one who is at once among America's greatest poets and litterateurs—Edgar Allan Poe:

"At morn, at noon, at twilight dim,

Maria, thou hast heard my hymn:

In joy and woe, in good and ill,

Mother of God, be with me still

When the hours flew brightly by

And not a cloud obscured the sky

My soul, lest it should truant be,

Thy grace did guide to thine and thee—

Now when the storms of fate o'ercrest

Darkly my present and my past

Let my future radiant shine

With sweet hopes of thee and thine."

Of Shelley it has been said: "He was filled by the Muse with madness"—a quaint apology for his moral foibles. In "The Abominable Creation," he could see only one blessing the Mother of the Redeemer—

Seraph of Heaven, too gentle to be human,

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Veiling beneath that radiant form of Woman

All that is insupportable in thee

Of light and love and immortality:

Sweet Benediction in the eternal curse;

Veiled glory of this lampless universe;

Thou Moon beyond the clouds;

Thou living Form

Among the dead; thou Star above the storm;

Thou Wonder, and Thou Beauty, and Thou Terror;

Thou Harmony of Nature's art;

Thou Mirror

In whom, as in the splendor of the sun,

All shapes look glorious which thou gazest on;

"Aye, even the dim words which obscure thee now

Flash, lightning-like, with unaccustomed glow—

I pray thee that thou blot from this sad song

All of its much mortality and wrong.

With those clear drops which start like sacred dew

From the twin lights thy sweet soul darkens through,

Weeping, till sorrow becomes ecstasy;

Then smile on it so that it may not die."

Sir Walter Scott, who had many anti-Catholic prejudices, often introduced the name of Our Lady in his poems:

"Ave Maria; maiden mild—

Listen to a maiden's prayer;

Thou canst hear though from the wild

Thou canst save amid despair,

Safe may we sleep beneath thy care,

Though banished, outcast and reviled—

Ave Maria; stainless styled—

Foul demons of the earth and air

From this their wonted haunt exiled,

Shall flee before thy presence fair.

We bow us to our lot of care,

Beneath thy guidance reconciled

Hear for a maid a maiden's prayer;

And for a father hear a child.

Ave Maria!

(Lady of the Lake, Canto IV.)

Letsano's Nightingale.

By Mrs. D. Francis Murphy.

Continued from last week.

You remember how we enjoyed hearing him sing, 'Yankee Doodle'

and 'Glory, Glory, Hallelujah,' and you surely would have said if you could have heard him sing 'Ave Maria' last night, it was well worth the price of the bird, the cage and all."

"Ah, Grace, your religious temperament and spiritual nature will always find expression. Come along, child, you must hurry, we will be late."

When I opened the door, I found Grace and her mother had preceded me downstairs. Letsano was sitting close to the curb on the blackening box with his violin across his knees. Grace was in whispered conversation with him; when Letsano caught sight of me he ran to take a small satchel from my hand, but a long arm reached forth and gave him an uplift that carried him on his way, to the boat landing some moments faster than my feet could travel. I found it was the good-natured ever-watchful hotel porter. Again I discovered Grace she loved in spite of its shabbiness.

Ellen was not officially the head

of the household, but she was the

heart of it. She was the one who

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—Edwin Arnold.

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