"The streets are filled with mourners;—every day more tears are shed;

The embalmers have grown weary—they will not work for gold—

And everywhere the eye doth sec processions of the dead,

Till they seem but mocking phantoms, we watch unmoved and cold."

"Thou wilt not let the Hebrews go—I read it in thine eyes—

There are no gods in Egypt—there is nothing but thy Will—

That sets itself against some force that yet in strength will rise

But to silence all thine answers and bid thy voice be still."

Then Pharaoh leaned down toward her: "O most beautiful!" he said,

"There is not a man who liveth dare say so to my face;

And truly were there such a one 'twere better he were dead,

For dead men suffer nothing.—Yet I pray thee of thy grace