

IMMORTALITY OF LIFE.

*Stanzas closing a paper, written on "Life," which was read
before the Toronto Christian Scientist Association.*

O LIFE! O Love! Our Father, Mother God!
Parent of All! The All-inclusive Good!
Where'er we look, still to be found in Thee,
Thou vital germ of Immortality!

Within; without; around and everywhere,
Thy omni-presence permeates the air!
And far—so far, beyond earth's furthest sky,
Yet ever near, Thou fill'st immensity!

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That thought that grasps a continent so vast,
As stretches o'er the future and the past
And centers here: That Thought of thoughts must be
Infinite Mind! Mind through eternity!

O boundless reach! immeasurable span
That comprehends the universe and man—
Mind's mental range! then need man think to find
Aught more or less, than Life, Immortal Mind?

"All nature teaches love to God and man:"
For Nature's God, is Love, and that alone;
And Love Al-one, can Nature's God incline
To aught beside, the Heart of Love divine?