TAKE CARE.

TAKE care of the pennies,
For now they are seeds,
No matter how few they may be,
If prudently planted,
In time they will grow,
To a thrifty and beautiful tree!

Take care of the minutes,
The jewels of time,
Life's sweet opportunites given;
The safer we keep them,
The brighter they'll shine—
Oh waste not one day of the seven!

Take care as you journey,
Along the high way,
Good of your health and your strength,
Without them in vain,
Are the beauties of earth,
In vain all the blessings of wealth.

Take care of your honour,
Your name and your fame,
Deal justly with men as you go,
And reach out your hand
To the poor and the sad,
Who suffer so much here below.

Take care of your footsteps,
And which way they tend,
Press steadily on to the goal;
Take care that you live right,
And strive for the best
And God will take care of your soul.

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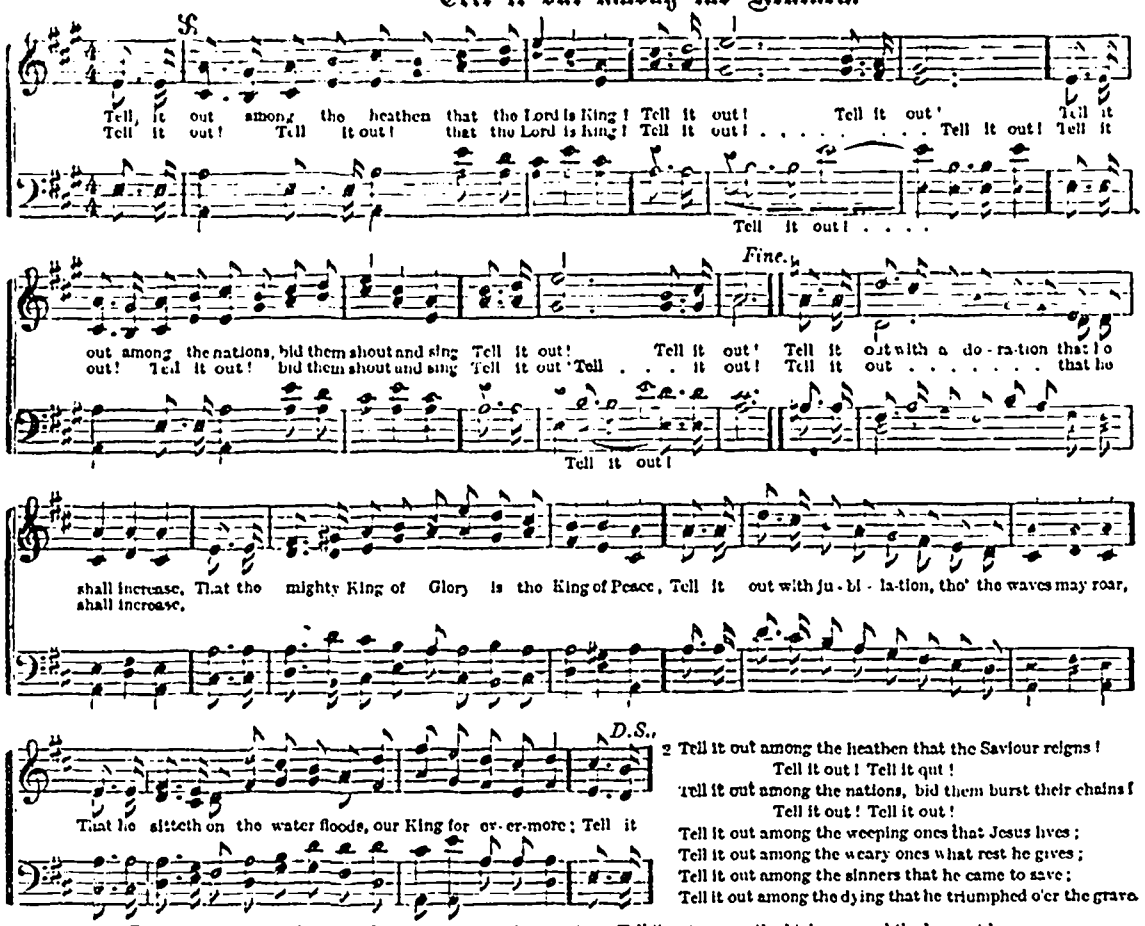
Tell it out among the Heathen.



2 Tell it out among the heathen that the Saviour reigns!
Tell it out! Tell it out!
Tell it out among the nations, bid them burst their chains!
Tell it out! Tell it out!
Tell it out among the weeping ones that Jesus lives;
Tell it out among the weary ones what rest he gives;
Tell it out among the sinners that he came to save;
Tell it out among the dying that he triumphed o'er the grave.

3 Tell it out among the heathen, Jesus reigns above!
Tell it out! Tell it out!
Tell it out among the nations, that his reign is love!
Tell it out! Tell it out!
Tell it out among the highways and the lanes at home;
Let it ring across the mountains and the ocean foam;
Lake the sound of many waters let our glad shouts be,
Till it echo and re-echo from the islands of the sea.

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The surgeons had been their rounds of duty, and for a moment all was quiet. Suddenly this young man, before speechless, called, in a clear, distinct voice, "Here." The surgeon hastened to his side and asked what he wished. "Nothing," said he, "they are calling the roll in heaven, and I was answering to my name." He turned his head and was gone—gone to join the great army, whose uniform is washed white in the blood of the Lamb.

In the great roll-call of Eternity *your name will be heard. Can you answer, Here?*

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