Above the stately evergreens, that stand Like watchful sentinels on these God-built towers;

And near yon beds of many-colored flowers

"On, through the lovely archipelago, Glides the swift bark. Soft summer matins ring

From every isle. The wild fowl come and go,



Browse two majestic deer, and at their side A spotted fawn all innocently cowers; In the rank brushwood it attempts to hide, While the strong-antlered stag steps forth with lordly stride.

Regardless of our presence. On the wing, And perched upon the boughs, the gay birds sing

sing Their loves: This is their summer paradise, From morn till night their joyous caroling