Dark shadows still played on the wall,
And looked so tall and slim;
Was it some departed friend,
Or some devil's imp within?

Soon the hideous, moving form Was making for the door; Springing from his demon bed, He felled him to the floor.

Grasping the villan by the throat, He did scuffle, fight and scream; On waking up he found his man A shadow in his dream.

Home.

The pride of man—his loving home,
Bright children by his side;
A charming wife his comforts share
And through troubles will abide.

They gather round the fireside, So merry, bright and snug; The kettle sings upon the stove, The cat stretched on the rug.

The bird sings sweetly in the cage,
The children play and leap;
Upon the parlor window ledge
The flowers bloom and sleep.

Contentment makes the home of bliss Man's highest earthly aim;