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Will you take the hand that I offer
In fullest friendship to-day?
Letting "the dead past bury its dead,"
Hiding the ashes away,
Looking beyond the changes
That compass our years below,
Will you pledge your faith for eternity,
"Under the mistletoe?"

The years of time are too fleeting.
The pulses of life too fast;
The roses wither so swiftly,
The summers too soon are past:
And human words are but feeble
To clothe deep feelings of love
As fathomless as the ocean deeps,
As true as the stars above.

Nay, doubt not the motive or meaning,
Life's sorrows have melted the dross;
The friendship I give is purest gold
Won from its baser loss.
Pearls from perilous diving
Skine with no purer glow
Than the faith I offer you here to-day,
"Under the mistletoe."

Will you take the hand that I offer,
Holding it firm and fast,
Veiling the faults and follies
That dimmed the days of the past?
Let me not wait for an answer
For a hope deferred is woe;
But give me a loving greeting
"Under the mistletoe."

A POINT IN ETHICS.

BY G. W. A.

We're told deception is a sin,
But still I do believe
That there are certain people who
Should labor to "deceive."

Don't rail; let common sense prevail;
Your writer will engage
To prove that every word he pens
Will purify the age.

If you're a tattler, bringing woe
To any peaceful cot,
Would it be wrong to hold your tongue
And "seem" what you are not?

If you should have a nasal twang,
Does any one suppose
You do a wrong to "feign" a song
That don't come through the nose?

Perhaps you waddle like a duck:
Can any one believe
'Tis bad to "feign" a noble walk,
Although you may "deceive?"

Or, if your face is vinegar,
And frowning all the while,
Had you not better use the glass,
To "feign" a sugar smile?

Suppose your vision is at fault,
Would it be wrong to hint—
You'd better "feign" an angel look
And drop a kind of squint?

The women pad and powder too;
Men pad and use the dye;
In beauty's fight, to "feign is right"
You think so, so do I.

We have no right to bore the world
If good will not accrue;
To please and have a happy life,
There's much depends on you.

If there is little but offense
In what you do or say,
Pull in the rein, begin to "feign,"
"Deceive" us every day,

To be yourself is very well,
If self is rather fine;
But be some other person, if
Your nature's not divine.

Make all improvement that you can,
In manner, look or tone;
And what you've "borrowed," after while
May prove to be your own.

MILTON'S LAST POEM.

The following poem is from the Oxford edition of Milton's works:

I am old and blind!
Men point to me as smitten by God's frown,
Afflicted, and deserted by my mind;
Yet I am not cast down.

I am weak; yet dying
I murmur not that I no longer see;
Poor, old, and helpless, I the more belong,
Father supreme, to Thee.

Oh Merciful One!
When men are farthest, then thou art near;
When men pass coldly by—my weakness shun,
Thy chariot I hear!

Thy glorious face
Is coming toward me, and its holy light
Shines upon my lonely place.
And there is no more night!

On my bended knee
I recognize Thy purpose clearly shown;
My vision Thou hast dimmed, that I may see
Thyself—Thyself alone.

I have naught to fear,
This darkness is the shadow of Thy wing,
Beneath it I am almost sacred; here
Can come no evil thing.

Oh! I seem to stand
Trembling where feet of mortal never yet have been,
Wrapped in the radiance of Thy sinless hand
Which eye hath never seen.

Visions come and go;
Shapes of resplendent beauty round me throng
From Angel's lips I seem to hear the flow
Of soft and holy song.

It is nothing, now,
When Heaven is opening on my sightless eyes—
When airs from Paradise refresh my brow—
That earth in darkness lies.

In a pure clime
My being fills with raptures, waves of thought
Roll in upon my spirit; strains sublime
Break over me unsought.

Give me now my lyre!
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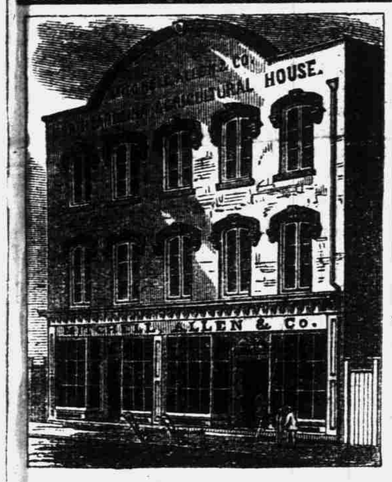

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