

Along the grassy slope I sit, And dream of other years; My heart is full of soft regrets, My eyes of bitter tears.

The wild bees hummed about the spot, The sheep bells tinkled far, Last year when Alice sat with me Beneath the evening star.

The same sweet star is o'er me now, Arise the same soft hours; But Alice moulders in the dust, With all the last year's flowers.

I sit alone, and only hear The wild bees on the steep, And distant bells that seem to float From out the folds of Sleep.

Electric Lighting by Incandescence.

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