

POETRY,

For The Star
A LEAF FROM REAL LIFE.

BY ECALLAW.

Valn, hollow world—
Why cling my heart to thee?
My soul still clasps thy glittering charms;
And yet, would fain be free.

Thy pleasures—sin
My wandering passions keep:
And yet, from all their tempting joys,
I nought but sorrow reap.

A moment's joy,
O'er which sad hours roll
Is all that thou hast given me,
To satisfy my soul.

Oh! thou art false
And worthless! all thy charms
Are but delusive phantoms, which elude
My eager, outstretched arms.

But still my soul
Returns to thee again,
To sip thy drop of tempting sweet—
Thy draught of bitter pain.

The sinful world—
A current deep and strong—
On whose dark waves I drifting float,
Bourne helplessly along.

My soul in vain
Struggles to break the chain,
And rise into that higher life,
Where calm, true pleasures reign.

Is there no hope?
Must I remain thus low?
Can I not yet the victory gain
Over my mighty foe?

Say—happy ones,
Who walk above the strife,
How did you wean your hearts from earth
And reach that happy life?

Will you not help
A brother, who would fain
Forsake earth's sinful charms and come
To walk with you again?

To Thee, oh Lord!
To Thee for aid I turn,
Oh! help me to forsake the world
And truer wisdom learn.

Thou, Thou alone
My hopeless case canst cure,
Wilt thou not wash my sin-dyed soul,
And make me once more pure?

Remove the charms,
From which I cannot part,
And give me of thy purer joys
To fill my empty heart.

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there.

"Waiting for God to come for me," he
said.

"What do you mean?" said the gentle-
man, touched by the pathetic tone of
the answer, and the condition of the boy
in whose eyes and flushed face he saw
the evidence of fever.

"God sent for mother and father, and
little brother," said he. "and took them
away up in the sky: and mother told me
when she was sick, that God would
care for me I have no home, nobody to
give me anything and so I came our here
and have been looking so long in the
sky for God to come and take care of
me as mother said he would, He will
come, won't he? Mother never told me
a lie."

"Yes my lad," said the gentleman
evercome with emotion. "He has sent
me to take care of you."

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