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## POEMS OF GEORGE ELIOT.



THE SPANISH GYPSY.—*continued.*

### BOOK IV.

Now twice the day had sunk from off the hills  
While Silva kept his watch there, with the band  
Of strong Zincoli. When the sun was high  
He slept, then, waking, strained impatient eyes  
To catch the promise of some moving form  
That might be Juan, — Juan who went and came  
To soothe two hearts, and claimed naught for his

own :

Friend more divine than all divinities,  
Quenching his human thirst in others' joy.  
All through the lingering nights and pale chill  
dawns

Juan had hovered near ; with delicate sense,  
As of some breath from every changing mood,  
Had spoken or kept silence ; touched his lute  
To hint of melody, or poured brief strains  
That seemed to make all sorrows natural,  
Hardly worth weeping for, since life was short,  
And shared by loving souls. Such pity welled  
Within the minstrel's heart of light-tongued Juan  
For this doomed man, who with dream-shrouded

eyes

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