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*"Man a pendulum swinging between a smile and
a tear." Byron.*

"Still to us at twilight comes love's old sweet song

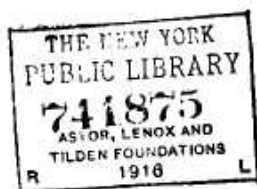


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DEDICATION

To Mrs. Alfred Wagstaff Jr. who said of her husband:

"What is the world compared to you—
To having you, holding you, knowing you true!
Is there a heart gain half so sweet
As when you kneel at my feet,
Loving me, telling me you are mine?
Is there a victory more divine
Than that I am loved, and loved so well?"

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PREFACE

I KNOW of no object for which these verses were written. They have many faults and many metrical errors. I have no hopes that they will be received by the cultured few. But I hope, as I send these verses out to the reading public that they will find 'a welcome around the homely and humble firesides.

The sayings of Monte Patton are not counterfeited, or manufactured out of somebody's head; but they have been written, as they were spoken by an illiterate mountaineer. Ten years from now, I would say, all of the Tennessee mountaineers will be under the sod. Their quaint and homely sayings should be preserved for posterity. In order that the best of that picturesque life and language may be preserved, I have written down the sayings of Monte Patton.

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