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"His Heavens must come, not we must go."

"LORD JESUS CHRIST, grow Thou in me,
And all things else recede!
My heart be daily nearer Thee,
From sin be daily freed.

"Each day let Thy supporting might
My weakness still embrace,
My darkness vanish in Thy light,
Thy life my death efface.

"In Thy bright beams which on me fall
Fade every evil thought;
That I am nothing, Thou art all,
I would be daily taught.

"Make this poor self grow less and less,
Be Thou my light and aim;
Oh, make me daily, through Thy grace,
More meet to bear Thy name."

"Somewhere or other you will find what is needful for you in a book, or a friend, or, best of all, in your own thoughts — the eternal thought speaking in your own thought."

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Dedication.

TO MY WIFE.

To thee, so noble, fair, and true,
So patient, loving, kind,
In humble verse I offer now
The homage of my mind.

Faithful through trials thou hast proved,
Companion, wife, and friend;
Henceforth for all eternity
Our love shall never end.

Thou hast a dignity beside
The honored name of WIFE:
MATERNITY'S bright gems enhance
The beauty of thy life.

MOTHER so gentle, WIFE so true!
Expression adequate
I cannot find to tell thy worth,
Thy merits to relate.