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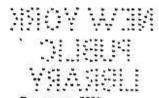


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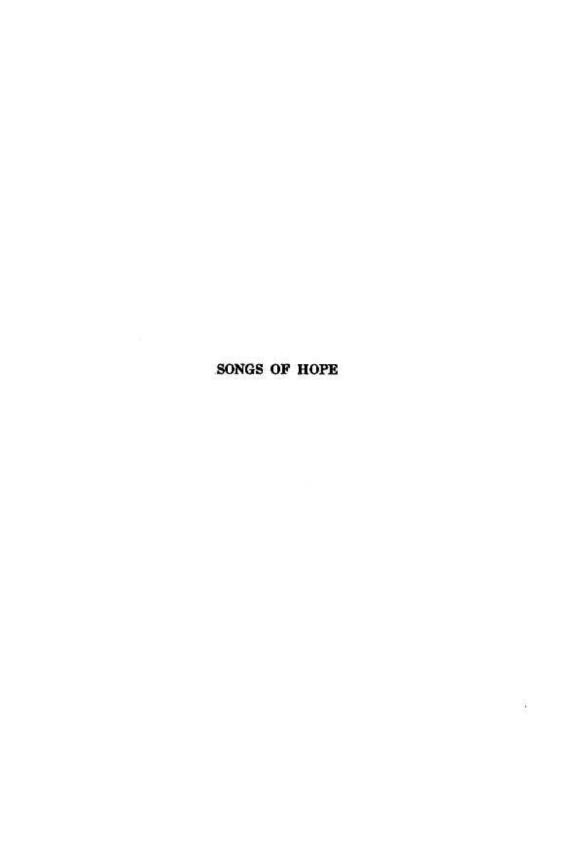


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## THE SONG OF A BIRD IN THE RAIN

None of them that trust in Him shall be desolate.—Psalm 34: 22.

Though the rain may fall and the wind be blowing,

And cold and chill is the wintry blast,

Though the cloudy sky is still cloudier growing,

And the dead leaves tell that summer has
passed,

My face I hold to the stormy heaven, My heart is as calm as the summer sea, Glad to receive what my God has given, Whate'er it be.

When I feel the cold I can say, "He sends it,"
And His wind blows blessing I surely know,
For I've never a want but that He attends it,
And my heart beats warm though the winds
may blow.

The soft sweet summer was warm and glowing;
Bright were the blossoms on every bough;
I trusted Him when the roses were blowing;
I trust Him now.

Small were my faith should it weakly falter
Now that the roses have ceased to blow;
Frail were the trust that now should alter,
Doubting His love when the storm clouds
grow.

If I trust Him once, I must trust Him ever, And His way is best, though I stand or fall; Through wind and storm He will leave me never; He sends it all.

Why should my heart be faint and fearing?
Mighty He rules above the storm;
Even the wintry wind is cheering,
Showing His power to keep me warm.
Never a care on my heart is pressing,
Never a doubt can disturb my breast;
Everything that He sends is blessing,
For He knows best.