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THE WAYFARER.

- One league, ten leagues, and a thousand, onward into the night;
- The lone, low hillsides darken, the stars are wildly bright.
- From the dimness of leagues beyond me, their journeyings only begun,
- The stars of the wearying thousands shine weariless over this one.
- For only one do we travel, where one by one in the dark
- From lone abysses of dimness each league has its several spark.
- 'Twas one by one that we traveled the leagues that behind us are past —
- We walk but one in the present, and die in one at the last.

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- Who walks one step of the journey may not forever turn back;
- Who steps no foot of the journey must wither and die in his track.
- From the days of loves that will linger and sweeten through all he aspires,
- He must trample all he has cherished to stand on the height he desires.
- But the still, small voice of his Being will call him away and afar
- Where loom his delectable mountains, where shines his delectable star;
- Where ever, but ever beyond him, still ever he knows he shall gain
- The hills of his ultimate Being, the crown of his ultimate pain.
- Yet on through the leagues and the dimness, ah, yet to the mountains above,
- He will yearn with unquenchable longing and throb with unhealable love;

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- Still gleams, in the homeland behind him, the hallowed, enhaloing light
- As it shone when he left it forever, a vagabond into the night.
- Oh, long and homeless the journeys, and dim the wild starlight gleam
- Till pilgrims and strangers have crossed all purple peaks of their dream
- To the land where the light that darkened in the dim, long journeys we trod
- We shall greet for once and forever, the Unspeakable Glory of God.