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To Rt. Rev. Bishop Watterson
to whom a
bunch of wild flowers
from a grateful heart is as welcome
as the
rarest orchids of thought,
this little volume is lovingly dedicated.





I have my own ambition. It is not
To mount on eagle wings and soar away
Beyond the palings of the common lot,
Scorning the griefs and joys of every day;
I would be human—toiling, like the rest,
With tender, human heart-beats in my breast.

And so, beside my door I sit and sing
My simple strains—now sad, now light and gay;
Happy if this or that but wake one string
Whose low, sweet echoes give me back the lay,
And happier still, if girded by my song,
Some strained and tempted soul stands firm and
strong.

Humanity is much the same; if I

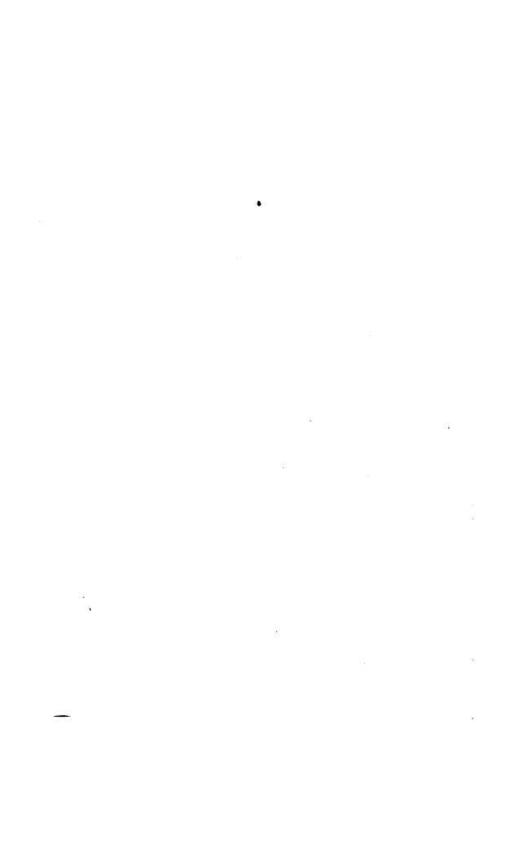
Can give my neighbor's pent-up thought a tongue,
And can give voice to his unspoken cry

Of bitter pain, when my own heart is wrung,
Then we two meet upon a common land

And henceforth stand together, hand in hand.

—Ellen Palmer Allerton.







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