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"A Leaf on the Current."

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"O, while thus in elevated joy,
The harp's enrapturing chords my hands employ;
While thus, 'mid anthems of eternal birth,
I dream of immortality on earth:—
O, let me never touch one guilty string,
That pangs remorseful to my breast may bring
When the last pulse is ebbing from my heart,
And my rack'd soul is struggling to depart?
O, let it never be my wretched fate,
In songs I sing or songs I meditate,
To blast the hopes that christian spirits crave,
And cause the just to curse me in my grave,
But if I charm one sinful thought away,
Or cheer one pious pilgrim's darksome day,
The hearts that profit by my feeble strain,
Perhaps shall say—"She hath not sung in vain."
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TO THE
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ERRATA.

- Page 19, line 1. Read:—
"Emblem thou art of the true faith."
Page 25, line 3. For "Depen't," read "Deepen't."
Page 32, line 7. For "tell," read "tells."
Page 35, line 3. For "Crows," read "Crowds."
Page 40, line 14. For "lamps," read "lamp."
Page 41, line 9. For "desires," read "decrees."
Page 61, line 13. For "roll," read "rolls."
" line 23. Read:—
"Some, who are low, and toiling hard for bread,"
Page 65, line 5. For "I will," read "I'll."
Page 86, line 12. For:—
"Methinks I hear his voice reply,"
Read:—
"Methinks I hear his voice reply."
Page 141. To follow line 2:—
"And he no more alive was seen,"
Page 150, line 8. For "roll'd," read "well'd."
Page 152, line 9. For "reck'd," read "guess'd."
Page 164, line 4. For "bloom," read "blown."
Page 165, line 4. Read:—
"When we with thee shall to new life be born."

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