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"To have together held that aching head,
To have together heard that piteous moan,
To have together knelt beside that bed,
When life was fitting, and when life had flown—

"Oh! more than this, yet holier bonds there are,
For we his spirit shall to ours feel nigh,
And know he lives, whenever we in prayer
Hold with Heaven's saintly throng communion high."
TRENCH.

GEORGE ALLEN,
SUNNYSIDE, ORPINGTON, KENT.
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1879.

"Tis but a night, a long and moonless night ;
We make the grave our bed, and then are gone !

"Thus at the shut of ev'n, the weary bird
Leaves the wide air, and in some lonely brake
Cov'rs down, and dozes till the dawn of day ;
Then claps his well-fledged wings, and bears away."

BLAIR.

In Loving Memory

OF

A BRAVE, REVERENT, AND UNSELFISH MAN,
WHO WAS BY THE GRACE OF GOD
WISE, YET HUMBLE ; STRONG, YET GENTLE ;
WHOSE HIGHEST VIRTUES WERE KNOWN ONLY
TO HIS WIFE AND HIS CHILDREN ;
WHO LIVED IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD HERE,
AND PASSING THROUGH THE GRAVE AND GATE OF DEATH,
NOW LIVETH UNTO GOD FOR EVERMORE :
THESE, HIS OWN THOUGHTS,
ARE DEDICATED BY HIS DAUGHTER
TO THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THAT LITTLE CIRCLE
WHERE HE WAS BEST KNOWN, BEST LOVED,
AND IS DEEPLY MISSED.

LUCY MACKAY.

TROWBRIDGE,
Christmas, 1879.

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