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We promised poems from poets of various nationalities this week on the topic of the past two weeks. In the following little stanza of Browning's there is nothing obscure:

"I shall never, in the years remaining,
Paint you pictures, no, nor carve you statues.
This of verse alone one life allows me
Other heights in other lives, God willing."

Ah! we have all wished to do and be so much, and have felt the inadequacy of one life for our vaulting ambitions. If we could but know that all the struggles in various directions must of necessity find fruition in another existence! That the law of Karma, i. e. "what a man sows, that shall he also reap," is unswerving, then would it seem worth while to sow the seed and till the soil of the soul all through the present life, without looking for fruit. Then would we understand that it is a true instinct which makes us bow at the shrine of genius. These great ones of the earth have achieved through long ages the right to be born with these divine gifts, which were not bestowed by their creator. Walt. Whitman says in "Leaves of Grass":

"I know I am deathless.
I know that this orbit of mine cannot be swept by a carpenter's compass,
And whether I come to mine own to-day or in ten thousand or ten million years,
I can cheerfully take it now or with equal cheerfulness I can wait.
As to you Life I recon you are the leavings of many deaths.
No doubt I have died myself ten thousand times before.

In Goethe's "Faust" we find:
The soul of man is like the water,
From Heaven it cometh, to heaven 't mounteth,
And thence at once it must back to earth,
Forever changing.

There is also a poem by Schiller, called "The Secret of Remembrance," which is too long to quote and is so interwoven that it is not possible to make an excerpt. Almost as great difficulty presents itself in Victor Hugo's "To The Invisible One":

"Before I came upon this earth:
I know I lived in gladness
For ages as an angel. Birth
Has caused my present sadness."

Another French poet—Beranger—has an airy little poem on the "Transmigration of Souls," from which we give the first and last stanzas:

In philosophic mood, last night, as idly I was lying,
That souls may transmigrate, methought there could be no denying.
So just to know to what I owe propensities so strong,
I drew my soul into a chat—our gossip last-ed long.

"A votive offering," she observed, "I well might claim from thee,
For thou in being hadst remained a cipher but for me.
Yet not a virgin soul was I when first in thee enshrined."
Ah! I expected, little soul, thus much that I should find.

"Some light on thy propensities may now upon thee break,
But prithee hark! one more remark I still," says she, "would make.
'Tis this—that having dared one day with Heaven to make too free,
God, for my punishment, resolved to shut me up in thee,
And what with sittings up at night, with work and woman's art,
Tears and despair—for I forbear some secrets to impart—
A poet is a very hell for soul thereto assigned."
Ah! I suspected, little soul, thus much that I should find.

The Norwegian poet, Hjalmar Hjorth Boyesen, makes a contribution to the same subject, of which we have room for only the two first stanzas:

My spirit wrestles in anguish
With fancies that will not depart;
A ghost who borrowed my semblance
Has hid in the depth of my heart.
A dim resistless possession
Impels me forever to do
The phantom deeds of this phantom
That lived ages ago.

If we had time and space and interest could be held so long to our subject we might still quote from Milton, Addison, Campanella, Arnold, Whittier, Emerson, Tupper, Aldrich, Fa'ey, Shelley, Dean Alford, Gosse, Coleridge, Bayard Taylor, etc., a dozen others, including Elizabeth

Barrett Browning, Dinah Mulock and Mrs. Rowe, the friend of Bishop Ken and Dr. Isaac Watts. We close with a sonnet of Tennyson's, only to be found in the earlier edition of his poems:

As when with downcast eyes we muse
And brood,
And ebb into a former life, or seem
To lapse far back in a confused dream
To states of mystical similitude.
If one but speaks or hints or stirs a chair
Ever the wonder wazeth more and more,
So that we say all this hath been before,
All this hath been, I know not when or where.
So, friend, when first I looked upon your face,
Our thoughts gave answer each to each,
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