

THE WATER MILL

Listen to the water mill all the livelong day  
How the creaking of the wheels wears the hours away  
Tranquilly the water glides useless on and still  
Never coming back again to that water mill  
And the proverb haunts my mind as the spell is cast—  
"The mill will never grind with the water that has passed."  
Take the lesson to thyself, loving heart and true  
Golden years are passing by, beauty's peak is past  
Try to make the most of life, lose no honest way  
All that thou canst call thine own, lies in this to-day  
Power, intellect, strength, may not, cannot last  
"The mill will never grind with the water that has passed."  
All the wasted hours of life that have slipped by  
All the good we might have done, lost without a sign  
Love, that we might once have reaped with one single word  
Thoughts conceived we might have penned perishing unheard  
Take the lesson to thy heart, take and hold it fast—  
"The mill will never grind with the water that has passed."

THE COMING OF SPRING

The summer months have passed away and winter is at hand  
And the pleasures of another year have vanished from our land  
But we must all content ourselves, it is the only thing  
And patiently await the coming of another spring  
There is something in the spring-time that fills our hearts with glee  
The returning of the spring birds and the green leaves on the trees  
The moaning of the cattle and the bleating of the lambs  
How pleasant by the river side, down by the old mill dam  
The little brooks swell out once more as on their journey go  
But now they are all covered by the silent frost and snow  
We go back to childhood days of scenes that used to please  
Childhood ways were pleasant days among the flowers and trees  
Mother used to mend our little clothes when we were fast asleep  
Before poor mother went to rest, she would come and take a peep  
To see that we were covered warm and often times would shed a tear  
Before she left our little cot, God bless my little dears  
But childhood days have passed away to years of toil and care  
We little thought when we were young that we should have our share  
But now we fully realize the trials mother had,  
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Many of Dr. Spooner's quaint mistakes in speech have become world-famous, as, for instance, when he turned "conquering kings" into "kingering kongs," but some of his most amusing sayings are not so familiar.  
On one occasion he was asked by a friend where his family purchased their groceries.  
"Oh," answered Dr. Spooner, solemnly, "we always stand at the doors."  
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