The Fount of Happiness.

One day, while in a thoughtful mind, On Nature's bosom half reclined, My senses steeped in dreamy thought Before my eyes this vision brought. Sparkling bright I saw a fountain Lying near a beauteous mountain, And long its sides saw mortals cull Bright flowers, sweet and beautiful.

Limped and clear this bubbling stream Pure and sweet as a school-girl's dream: Over its head the oak-boughs green Laced and twined in a fairy screen. To shade the bubbling waters over Nature had made this leasy cover, There many a bird had found its nest The songster's home, the warbler's rest.

Round pebbles lay along its brink, So smoothe and bright, they made me think 'Twas sweet to be a pebble, and lay all Day long, and hear those waters fall. Fern-fringed and bound with mosses gay, Along its sides the naiads played; And lilies white, like naiad daughter Kissed their faces in the waters.

And wandering long the mountain side In haste to reach the cooling tide, And quaff the bubbling wine of joy The aged man and sportive boy.

The stream flowed on, sparkling and bright, Gaily singing in mood so light, And reflected in its silvery brink Faces fair who came to drink.

I watched the fount, while mortals quaffed The pure, the bright, the bubbling draught At length I, too, began to think. 'Twere sweet those waters bright to drink I hastened on and knelt beside, The flower-kissed and moss-bound tide; But when I stooped to quench my thirst The vision fled, the bubble burst.

I rubbed my eyes, was this a dream? Alas, it was, and it did seem To me, that such was happiness, And when we fain the cup would press To thirsty lips, the fount is gone And we are left to wander long Alone, instead of revelling 'Neath shades of bright imagining.

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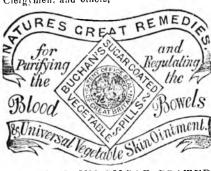
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