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MYN ON THE NATIVITY.

It was the winter wild, With the heaven-born Child...

And on her naked shame, Polluted with sinful stains...

The steady tread of maiden white to throw; Confounded, that her Maker's eye...

Should look on her for foul fornicities.

But he her fears to ease, Set down the meek-eyed Prince;

She, crowned with the olive green, came softly sliding Down through the turning spheres...

His ready language, With words that winged the utmost clouds driving East, waving wide her myrtle wand...

She strikes universal peace through sea and land.

No war, or battle's sound, Was heard the while she came;

The life-giving and death-dealing high up hung; The hooked chariot stood, Unhindered by blood's flood...

The trumpet spoke not to the armed throng; And kings sat still with awful eye, As if they saw their sovereign Lord...

But peaceful was the night, When the Prince of Light, In robes of peace upon the earth began;

The winds, with wonder whirled, Smoothly the waters ran;

Whispering new joys to the mild ocean, Who now no voice forgot to raise, While of his saint's tread on the charmed waves...

The shepherds on the lawn, Or on the point of dawn, Sat simply chatting in a rustic row;

And little thought they then, That the night's pain, Was kindly come to live with them below;

Perhaps their love, or their sleep, Was of that order, or their thought so holy-keep.

When such music sweet Their hearts and ears did greet, An ever new and angelic strain;

Directly waked their souls, Answering the stringed noise, As all their souls in blissful rapture rose;

They all, with gladness high, With thousand voices high, began to sing.

As they were thus, a light appeared, As if the sun were in the sky;

And in the midst of the bright light, A babe was lying on the ground;

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CHAPTER I.

THE DISAPPOINTMENT.

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