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TO THE ROCKIES.

Stern Rockies! Monarchs of the ground
Whose forms divide the heavens 'round,
Successive dwelling, day and night,
In tents of darkness and of light.

Or e'er the Indian pitched his tent
Beneath thy shadows' swift descent,
Or came with beast the leafy wood
To break thy barren solitude,
Or e'er the rise and fall of Rome,
This was thy solitary home.

What brought ye forth? Where rest the powers
That bade ye rise in living towers,
High o'er the low, descending vale,
And pathway where the lightnings trail?

Oh, rock-bound thoughts of Deity,
That lift to contemplation high
The heart of man! How tranquilly,
Deep in the ocean of the sky,
Close by where wander peaceful stars,
Ye hold your sway, and nothing mars
The joy of thy sublimity:
Save when the stirred hells beneath
(Deep-bounded gulfs, tempestuously
Upheaving) fire the hearts whose throes,
Like and enslaved nation's woes,
Panting for liberty's sweet breath,
Burst through thy rocky breasts in streams
Of flame!

LEE FAIRCHILD.