

A Lyric

[After Victor Hugo]

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Ah what if I hear
The wood-birds rejoice?
That bird is most clear
Who sings in thy voice.

What if the stars shine,
Or they hide from the skies?
The brightest is thine,
In the light of thine eyes.

Doth April renew
With blossoms the earth?
What sweeter e'er grew
Than in thy heart hath birth?

The singer of lire—
This day-star aflame—
This flower of desire—
Oh! love is its name.