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FEMALE FAITH.
 She loved you when the sunny light
 Of bliss was on your brow;
 That bliss has sunk in sorrow's night,
 And yet—she loves you now.

She loved you when your joyous tone
 Taught every heart to thrill;
 The sweetness of that tongue is gone,
 And yet—she loves you still.

She loved you when you proudly stept,
 The gayest of the gay;
 The pride of the light of time has swept,
 Unlike her love, away.

She loved you when your home and heart
 Of fortune's smiles could boast,
 She saw that smile decay—depart
 And then she loved you most.

Oh, such the generous faith that grows
 In Woman's gentle breast,
 'Tis like that star that stays and glows
 Alone in night's dark vest;

That stays because each other ray
 Has left the lonely shore,
 And that the wanderer on his way
 Then wants her light the more.

THE MARINER'S WIFE.
 Ah me, how wild the north wind blows!
 The drifting snow, how white it flies!
 The cheerless night, how slow it goes!
 I wonder where my husband lies!
 Now rides he on the fretful wave—
 Or clings he to some rocky shore—
 Or has the mermaid spread his grave
 Down where the lightless billows roar?

The blasts such terrors o'er me bring,
 I dare not close my eyes again;
 For if I sleep, my thoughts will wing
 Their way unto the angry main—
 And frightful rocks, and wrecks, and men,
 With livid lips I'll then behold—
 And every yawning wave will then
 New terrors to my view unfold!

My child, sleep on—thou dost not know
 The risk thy father dares for thee:
 That little cheek would lose its glow,
 Couldst thy soft eyes his danger see!
 But thou wilt be a seaman too—
 Thy form will hunt a seaman's grave;
 And thou wilt love the billows blue,
 And learn to laugh where tempests rave.

But hark! the winds have fallen now—
 Their howl is changed to whispers low;
 The heat of terror leaves my brow—
 Sleep, heavy sleep, comes on me now:
 Where'er my husband's barque doth ride—
 In stormy bay—on ocean's breast—
 Kind fortune ever there abide,
 And peace, be thou his constant guest.

*Journal of a Voyage to South Atlantic &
 Indian Ocean for White & sperm Whales
 on Board Bark Roscoe of New Bedford A. S. Taber
 Commenced July 2nd 1846 by A. S. Taber Master*

*Remarks on Board July 2nd Commencing at 21 hours Sea
 account at 9 AM all hands on board set sail 24 in
 number including Commander & officers fitted for 30
 months set sail & laid anchor with a line hauled
 from SW with thick fog at intervals the Ships
 Octava Capt Pell & China Fisher in Company
 both of New Bedford at 7 Discharged the Pilot Catterham
 Bearing ESE Dist 5 miles or thereabouts with a small
 air from South at 11 a small breeze from northward middle
 and later fine breeze from SE Steered SW by S at 3 AM
 altered to South at 8 to 10 PM saw 2 Whale Ships bound for
 South Ends these 24 hours with a fine breeze from ENE
 & the first on the Commencement of the Voyage & the
 Lord only knows how many will have to pass before
 I shall see my native Country again but may it be
 his gracious good will to Protect & Prosper & safely
 return me again to my dear & Dear friends again
 Ends No Observations*

Saturday 4th

*First Part lively breezes from East to ESE heavy Cloud
 Steered SSE Middle Squally & Drizzling with rain by the
 wind to South & SSW later Wind South Ends Pleasant all
 hands Employed fitting Cutting gear &c Saw several
 Squair riggers Steering to Eastward Lat 39° 31'*

Sunday 5th

*first Part fine breezes from South at 12:30 tacked Ship
 to ESE sent the Cutting Pennants aloft & lashed them
 & gyres &c & various gobs to numerous to mention he also
 lowered away all of the Boats for Exercise Middle lively
 breeze from South to SSW light Showers later from
 SW to WSW Course SSE lively breeze flying Clouds
 Lat Obs 38° 55'
 Long at 4 PM 69° 45'*