### [The London Mercury] VILLAGE GREEN

- THE thatched roofs, green with moss and grass, stand round,
- And earthy walls seem growing from the ground,
- Bold pipe the missel-bird and bluecap gay
- Fróm white-bloomed plum, nor fear the yokels' play;
- Who on the wet green whirl the ball about
- With monstrous shambling kicks; and in and out
- Among them plays the mongrel, black and young,
- As pleased as any there, and lolls his tongue.
- But near the postman watching 'how she flies'
- The older dog looks on with pitying eyes,
- And thinks it only folly play, and droops
- His weary head away when laughter whoops
- To see tripped longshanks floundering on his back,
- With trousers daubed in mire and face all black.

### [Westminster Gazette] ONE DAY

#### BY PAMELA GLENCONNER

["And Death shall be cast down headlong, and there shall be Salvation that shall never fail. No more anxiety and fear, but joy... and companionship sweet and noble."— Тномая А. КЕмріз.]

ONE day the Earth will break forth into song

- And we shall say, 'The Spring is here at last,
- Winter is fled that was so dark and long,
- The skies are clear that were so overcast;
- The willows in the meads to bud are springing,
- And all the world with skylarks' songs is ringing.'

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So one day we shall gain all we have lost,

Seeing the faces we have longed to see, Hearing our hearts say, 'All the pain it cost

- Is nothing to this soul felicity;
- Not all Earth's suffering, and toil, and strife.
- Can match in magnitude of joy this Life.'
- For we shall see then as we now are seen,
- And we shall understand as we are known;
- And all the sorrowing that once has been
- Shall meet us, singing, and become out crown;
- O Light of Worlds! shine on our inner eyes,
- Show us the joy, the joy of Paradise.

### [New Statesman] LIGHTS

### BY JOSEPH FREEMAN

Your eyes are on me with the tortured light

Of a soul brooding-cold in her retreat Who paces hollow corridors all night

And dreads the isolation of her feet;

- But I recall a night, a night in June,
- When a warm fragrance held us long awake,
- And our boat kept drifting down the lake
- From arching bridge to bridge. We hummed a tune
- Under the silence of an orange moon
- We touched the water, remarked the ripples break,
- And watched the sentimental starlight shake
- With a blue tremor in the trees; and soon
- A hot wind kissed us and I saw you eves
- Flare, like a morning through Italian skies.

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