



For you and me the world is fair,
And love and beauty fill the air ;
The sun rides through the azure sky,
And beams upon us from on high,
Then sets in one grand crimson flare.

The moon that soon succeeds him there
Bathes earth in silver splendor rare,
And makes dark corners on the sly
For you and me.

The sea, the woods, the meadows where
The daisies bloom, and maidenhair—
The hills, the lakes that in them lie,
Were made I've just discovered why—
For you and me !
Harry Romaine.

OUR VETERAN AUTHORS.

Living American writers who are the representatives of an older generation—A group of which Thomas Dunn English, Edmund Clarence Stedman, Charles A. Dana, Richard Henry Stoddard, and “Ik Marvel” are prominent members.

“BEN BOLT” and “America” are two songs which thrilled the hearts of a generation that has gone by. When George du Maurier set the motive of “Trilby” to the musical accompaniment of

and lack of critical faculty of all young things; men who saw our literature form itself, and who helped the process on. There are not many of them, but they carry with them all the traditions of a past day, how-



Thomas Dunn English.

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the quaint old ballad, and when Dr. Samuel F. Smith was honored, the other day, with a testimonial, it was with real surprise that the every day world learned that the authors of both of these songs were still living and working.

It sets us to counting the literary men of the earlier decades of this century who are with us today; men who knew New England and New York when there was practically no such thing as a West, when America was young, full of generosity and enthusiasm and vigor, with the optimism

ever much they may have kept abreast of the current times.

Dr. Thomas Dunn English, who wrote “Ben Bolt,” might be called a typical American of his time. He was born in 1819, when America was first feeling the assurance of her standing as one of the nations of the earth, and when she was calling upon every one of her sons to help to make her great. Dr. English is a Philadelphian by birth, and he has been poet, physician, lawyer, editor, and legislator. He has written all sorts of books under a dozen pen names,