



Home is home,  
however lovely

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(1834-1897)

**George Mursell Garrett** (1834-1897) was born in Winchester, Hampshire, England. His father was the master of the choristers at Winchester Cathedral. He became a chorister of New College, Oxford, and studied organ under Stephen Elvey. He later served as assistant to Samuel Sebastian Wesley at Winchester. He earned his music degrees at Cambridge and was a Fellow of the Royal College of Organists (FRCO). He was organist at Madras Cathedral; John's College, Cambridge; and organist to the University. He was appointed the Director of Music at St. John's College, Cambridge in 1857 and held the position for forty years. He taught harmony and counterpoint and was Examiner in Music for the University. He was also examiner for the Irish Intermediate Education Board and other institutions. He was conductor of the St. John's College Musical Society and appeared as piano soloist. He composed an oratorio, several cantatas, organ music, songs, part-songs, and music for the Anglican Church in the form of service settings, chant, and anthems.

Home is home, however lowly,  
Fenced around by many a spell,  
If within its precincts holy,  
Room be found for Love to dwell,  
There is sure no spot on earth,  
Where-so-e'er our steps may roam,  
Can outshine the smiling hearth,  
Of a tranquil, happy Home.  
Home is home, however lowly,  
If but Love within it dwells.

Home is home, however lowly;  
Peaceful pleasures there abide;  
Soothing thoughts and visions holy  
Cluster round our own fireside.  
Though the outer world be dark,  
And its ocean lashed to foam,  
Safe within its sheltering ark,  
All is calm and bright at home.  
Home is home, however lowly,  
If but Love within it dwells.

Home is home, however lowly;  
Oh, how sweet when storm is rife,  
And our feet have struggled slowly  
Through the tangled ways of life;  
Sad, encumbered, faint and weary,  
Spared the grief again to roam,  
To lay down our burden dreary,  
At the blessed door of home.  
Home is home, however lowly,  
If but Love within it dwells.

Arthur Smith Arnott (1870-1941)

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Andante

S Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, Fenc'd a - round by man - y\_a spell, *cresc.*

A Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, Fenc'd a - round by man - y\_a spell, *cresc.*

T Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, Fenc'd a - round by man - y\_a spell, *cresc.*

B Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, Fenc'd a - round by man - y\_a spell, *cresc.*

9 S If with - in its pre - cincts ho - ly, Room be found for Love to dwell, *p* *rall.*

A If with - in its pre - cincts ho - ly, Room be found for Love to dwell, *p* *rall.*

T If with - in its pre - cincts ho - ly, Room be found for Love to dwell, *p* *rall.*

B If with - in its pre - cincts ho - ly, Room be found for Love to dwell, *p* *rall.*

17 S There is sure no spot on earth, — Where - so - e'er our steps may roam, — *a tempo* *p*

A There is sure no spot on earth, — Where - so - e'er our steps may roam, — *a tempo* *p*

T There is sure no spot on earth, — Where - so - e'er our steps may roam, — *a tempo* *p*

B There is sure no spot on earth, — Where - so - e'er our steps may roam, — *a tempo* *p*

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25 *cresc.* *rall.*

S Can out - shine the smil - ing hearth, Of a tran - quil, hap - py Home.

A Can out - shine the smil - ing hearth, — Of a tran - quil, hap - py Home.

T Can out - shine the smil - ing hearth, Of a tran - quil, hap - py Home. —

B Can out - shine the smil - ing hearth, Of a tran - quil, hap - py Home. —

33 *Slower* *ff* *pp*

S Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, If but Love with - in it dwells.

A Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, If but Love with - in it dwells.

T Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, If but Love with - in it dwells.

B Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, If but Love with - in it dwells.

41 *cresc.*

S Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly; Peace - ful plea - sures there a - bide;

A Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly; Peace - ful plea - sures there a - bide;

T Home — is home, how - ev - er low - ly; Peace - ful plea - sures there a - bide;

B Home — is home, how - ev - er low - ly; Peace - ful plea - sures there a - bide;

49 *p* *rall.*

S Sooth - ing thoughts and vi - sions ho - ly Clus - ter round our own fire - side.

A Sooth - ing thoughts and vi - sions ho - ly Clus - ter round our own fire - side.

T Sooth - ing thoughts and vi - sions ho - ly Clus - ter round our own fire - side.

B Sooth - ing thoughts and vi - sions ho - ly Clus - ter round our own fire - side.

57 *a tempo*

S Though the out - er world be dark, — And its o - cean lash'd to foam, —

A Though the out - er world be dark, — And its o - cean lash'd to foam, —

T Though the out - er world be dark, — And its o - cean lash'd to foam, —

B Though the out - er world be dark, — And its o - cean lash'd to foam, —

63 *cresc.* *f* *rall.*

S Safe with - in its shel - t'ring ark, All is calm and bright at home.

A Safe with - in its shel - t'ring ark, — All is calm and bright at home.

T Safe with - in its shel - t'ring ark, All is calm and bright at home. —

B Safe with - in its shel - t'ring ark, All is calm and bright at home. —

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73 *Slower*

S *ff* Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, *pp* If but Love with - in it dwells.

A *ff* Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, *pp* If but Love with - in it dwells.

T *ff* Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, *pp* If but Love with - in it dwells.

B *ff* Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, *pp* If but Love with - in it dwells.

81 *cresc.*

S *cresc.* Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly; Oh, how sweet when storm is rife,

A *cresc.* Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly; Oh, how sweet when storm is rife,

T *cresc.* Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly; Oh, how sweet when storm is rife,

B *cresc.* Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly; Oh, how sweet when storm is rife,

89 *p* *rall.*

S *p* And our feet have strug - gled slow - ly Through the tan - gled ways of life;

A *p* And our feet have strug - gled slow - ly Through the tan - gled ways of life;

T *p* And our feet have strug - gled slow - ly Through the tan - gled ways of life;

B *p* And our feet have strug - gled slow - ly Through the tan - gled ways of life;

Home is home, however lowly

97 *a tempo*

S Sad, en - cum - ber'd, faint and wea - ry, Spared the grief a - gain to roam, —

A Sad, en - cum - ber'd, faint and wea - ry, Spared the grief a - gain to roam, —

T Sad, en - cum - ber'd, faint and wea - ry, Spared the grief a - gain to roam, —

B Sad, en - cum - ber'd, faint and wea - ry, Spared the grief a - gain to roam, —

105 *cresc.*

S To lay down our bur - den drear - y, At the bless - ed door of home. *rall.*

A To lay down our bur - den drear - y, At the bless - ed door of home. *rall.*

T To lay down our bur - den drear - y, At the bless - ed door of home. *rall.*

B To lay down our bur - den drear - y, At the bless - ed door of home. *rall.*

113 *Slower*

S Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, If but Love with - in it dwells. *pp*

A Home is home, how - ev - er low - ly, If but Love with - in it dwells. *pp*

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