



The Welcome Home

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Dear is the hour we reach our home,
Where loved ones haste to greet us:
Where each one wishes as we come
To be the first to meet us.

Oh! when Time has spread his withering blight,
His joys been but professing,
How dear to turn from the world's hard fight,
And cling to home's true blessing!

Oh! blissfully sweet is the word called "home"
To the way-worn soul as its welcomes come!

When 'mid the storms of Life's rough toils,
E'en Hope herself's benighted;
Ah! then we think upon Love's smiles,
Those eyes that beam love-lighted.

Then we sorrow that we prized not more
That love indeeds outspoken,
And feel that even India's priceless store
Could never gain that token.

Oh! blissfully sweet is the word called "home"
To the way-worn soul as its welcomes come!

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Con moto

p *cresc.*

S Dear is the hour we reach our home, Where lov'd ones, lov'd ones haste to

A Dear is the hour we reach our home, Where lov'd ones, lov'd ones haste to

T Dear is the hour we reach our home, Where lov'd ones, lov'd ones haste to

B Dear is the hour we reach our home, Where lov'd ones, lov'd ones haste to

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S greet us: Where each one wish - es as we come _____ To be the

A greet us: Where each one wish - es as we come To be the

T greet us: Where each one wish - es as we come To be the

B greet us: Where each one wish - es as we come To be the

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S first, to be the first to meet us. Oh! when Time has spread his

A first, to be the first to meet us. Oh! when Time has spread his

T first, to be the first to meet us. Oh! when Time has spread his

B first, to be the first to meet us. Oh! when Time has spread his

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S with - 'ring blight, His joys been but pro - fess - ing,

A with - 'ring blight, His joys been but pro - fess - ing,

T with - 'ring blight, His joys been but pro - fess - ing, How dear to

B with - 'ring blight, His joys been but pro - fess - ing,

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S How dear to turn from the world's hard fight, And cling to home's true

A How dear to turn from the world's hard fight, And cling to home's true

T turn, to turn from the world's hard fight, And cling to home's true

B How dear to turn from the world's hard fight, And cling to home's true

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S
A
T
B

bless - ing! Oh! bliss - ful - ly sweet is the word call'd

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S
A
T
B

"home" To the way - worn soul as its wel - comes, its wel - comes come!

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p *cresc.*

S
A
T
B

When 'mid the storms of Life's rough toils, E'en Hope, e'en Hope her - self's be -

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S night - ed; Ah! then we think up - on Love's smiles, _____ Those eyes that

A night - ed; Ah! then we think up - on Love's smiles, Those eyes that

T night - ed; Ah! then we think up - on Love's smiles, Those eyes that

B night - ed; Ah! then we think up - on Love's smiles, Those eyes that

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S beam, those eyes that beam love-light - ed. Then we sor - row that we

A beam, those eyes that beam love-light - ed. Then we sor - row that we

T beam, those eyes that beam love-light - ed. Then we sor - row that we

B beam, those eyes that beam love-light - ed. Then we sor - row that we

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S priz'd not more That love in - deeds out - spo - ken,

A priz'd not more That love in - deeds out - spo - ken,

T priz'd not more That love in - deeds out - spo - ken, And feel that

B priz'd not more That love in - deeds out - spo - ken,

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35 *cresc.*

S And feel that ev'n In - dia's price - less store Could nev - er gain that

A *cresc.*
And feel that ev'n In - dia's price - less store Could nev - er gain that

T ev'n, that ev'n In - dia's price - less store Could nev - er gain that

B *cresc.*
And feel that ev'n In - dia's price - less store Could nev - er gain that

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S to - ken. Oh! bliss - ful - ly sweet is that word call'd

A *f*
to - ken. Oh! bliss - ful - ly sweet is that word call'd

T *f*
to - ken. Oh! bliss - ful - ly sweet is that word call'd

B *f*
to - ken. Oh! bliss - ful - ly sweet is that word call'd

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S "home" To the way - worn soul as its wel - comes, its wel - comes come!

A "home" To the way - worn soul as its wel - comes, its wel - comes come!

T "home" To the way - worn soul as its wel - comes, its wel - comes come!

B "home" To the way - worn soul as its wel - comes, its wel - comes come!

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