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## LXXII.

But all is silence; and a gush of tears
Alone replies!—He hath not been of those
Who, fear'd by many, pine in secret fears
Of all; th' environ'd but by slaves and foes,
To whom day brings not safety, night repose,
For they have heard the voice cry "Sleep no more!"
Of them he hath not been, nor such, as close
Their hearts to misery, till the time is o'er,

When it speaks low and kneels th' oppressor's throne before!

LXXIII.

He hath been loved—but who may trust the love Of a degenerate race?—in other mould Are cast the free and lofty hearts, that prove Their faith through fiery trials.—Yet behold, And call him not forsaken!—Thoughts untold Have lent his aspect calmness, and his tread Moves firmly to the shrine.—What pomps unfold Within its precincts!—Isles and seas have shed

Their gorgeous treasures there, around th' imperial dead.

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