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Easter Rhythms "THE FEET OF CHRIST"

Soft gleaming, deep-snow-white
Feet of Christ,
Dawn-stepping from the night tomb—
Cerements un-clinging
Death by flinging,
Behold the Redeemer.
Lamb meekest to lowliest one,
To Peter and John,
To the Magdalene, sorrowing Mary.

May Christ give His grace to us
To tread the straight pathways,
To follow
His brightest
Foot-haloes.
Not with fools
That here look in green valleys,
In the soft ways seek to find Him,
In the clear ways Him hallooing:—
Vain footsteps,
Never the Lord's feet they follow;
His lead
Through the rough ways,
Desert-darkness and jungle,
Straight guiding
To the true goal of Heaven.

May Christ make us
Follow fast,
Never straying.
Grace-gladness we ask not, expect not,
But rather
Dry-hearted
And dogged
After-trailing,
The dragging of dull flesh,
Nearly-failing,
We look for;
Bloody death we may pass through,
To the high summit's up-scaling.

Thus hope we
That on doomsday
We shall
Rise from the sea-floods,
Spring from our dust-tombs,
Expectant:
Up-glimpsing His arrival,
Gaze at Chariot's sun-glancing,
And greet
The cloud-striding,
Down-treading,
Bright-gleaming
Of Christ's glorious
Foot-haloes.

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CANADA AND THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH

The British Commonwealth of Nations is an organization of a unique nature and of comparatively recent origin. During the course of World War 1, four parts of the British Empire, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, made such outstanding contributions to the war effort that it was generally felt that they had outgrown their childhood status as mere parts of the British Empire. Official recognition of this was given by the Imperial Conference of 1917, which declared that Canada and the other Dominions were "autonomous nations of an Imperial Commonwealth". A further step was taken by the Imperial Conference of