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*AT MIDNIGHT.*

THE voice of all the hollow, desolate sky  
    On this wild wind is blown ;  
The wail of earth's desire and agony  
    Sobs in this wild wind's moan ;  
And there is yet another heavier sigh,  
    Heard of the heart alone.

This echoed through the midmost core of mirth  
    Since mortal mirth began ;  
Hearing, we know that all the feast is dearth,  
    And all red roses wan.  
O God ! for the new heavens, and the new earth,  
    And the new heart of man !

G. A. CHADWICK.