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Italy
 imitated from Götthe

Knowst thou the Land, where in the fragrant bowers
 The Orange blooms and spreads a golden shower,
 Where genial gales caress the azure sky,
 Where Myrtles sprout and laurels wave on high,
 Knowst thou the land? With thee, with thee
 There will I go - there Love is Liberty.

Knowst thou the Land, the scene of old renown,
 Where seven Hills support a triple Crown;
 Where Gods and men in polished marble stand,
 and beauty breaths beneath the Sculptor's hand;
 Knowst thou the land? with thee, with thee,
 There will I go - there Love is Liberty

Knowst thou the Land, to reach whose vales below
 The Mule must climb o'er pyramids of snow;
 Where gentle Love succeeds thro' Music's aid,
 I strike the Guitar, and joins the Serenade;
 Knowst thou the land? with thee, with thee
 There will I go - there Love is Liberty.