

# America

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## AMERICA.

- 1 Centre of equal daughters, equal sons,
- 2 All, all alike endear'd, grown, ungrown, young or old,
- 3 Strong, ample, fair, enduring, capable, rich,
- 4 Perennial with the Earth, with Freedom, Law and Love,
- 5 A grand, sane, towering, seated Mother,
- 6 Chair'd in the adamant of Time.