

BA-III, English(HI) Explanation-03 "God's Grandeur"
(G.M. Hopkins)

'And though the last lights off the black west went
Oh, morning, at the brown brink eastward, springs—
Because the holy Ghost over the bent
World broods with warm breast and with ah! bright wings'

These lines are taken from the poem "God's Grandeur" composed by G.M Hopkins. These lines are concluding lines of the sonnet. Through these lines the poet's everlasting faith in God's glory has been expressed. He deplors the commercialisation and industrialisation of the world at large. He feels that nature's pleasures are not exhausted. They are still staying in 'deep down things'. Though the sun has gone to set in the west, it is sure to rise again in the East after sometime. The poet means to say that though life in the world has been undeniably encumbered by mechanisation, and all hopes seem to come to an end, yet it is not the final picture. The morning is sure to usher in new lights. It is because God is merciful to the world and He looks at us with warmth of love. He has not gone to sit a place but he would fly back to us with bright wings. It sounds like Shelley's hope - 'if winter comes, can spring be far behind.'

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