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## George Charles Whitney - poems -

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George Charles Whitney was born at Drummoyne, near Sydney, on 25th May, 1884. His father was Australian, his mother English. George was educated at Fort Street Public School and later he studied at Sydney University, where he Graduated B.A., 1906.

## **Sunset**

Behind the golden western hills
The sun goes down, a founder'd bark,
Only a mighty sadness fills
 The silence of the dark.

O twilight sad with wistful eyes, Restore in ruth again to me The shadow of the peace that lies Beyond the purple sea.

The sun of my great joy goes down, Against the paling heights afar, Gleams out like some glad angel's crown, A yellow evening star;

The glory from the western hills Falls fading, spark on spark, Only a mighty sadness fills The spaces of the dark.

George Charles Whitney