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### 1. DEATH OF A YOUTH OF ZEITOUN

WHOM dost thou seek, sweet mother?  
Come, tremble not, draw near!  
Gaze on thy son's blood-streaming wounds  
Without a sigh or tear.  
Let Turkish mothers rend their hair;  
Do thou glad news to Zeitoun bear !

As, by my cradle, thou didst soothe  
With tender hand and smile  
My childish form to sleep, and sing  
With angel voice the while,  
Lay me to rest, without a care,  
And joyful news to Zeitoun bear !

Red floods are welling from my wounds,  
But, mother, look around;  
See how the fierce blood-thirsty Turks  
By thousands strew the ground !  
Our swords devoured them, scattered there :  
Then joyful news to Zeitoun bear!

They smote us like a dragon,  
With sudden roaring deep;  
But Zeitoun shook her rocky head,  
And rolled them down the steep.  
Red was the stain our rocks did wear ;  
Then joyful news to Zeitoun bear !

Our fathers' ghosts applauded;  
Our old fire is not dead !  
Our slaughtered kin rejoiced to see  
The blood of vengeance shed.  
Mount Ararat the joy did share ;

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