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William Wordsworth

Wordsworth, William (1770-1850) - English poet who, along with Samuel Taylor Coleridge, was an early leader of English Romanticism. He is best known for his worship of nature and his humanitarianism. My Heart Leaps Up When I Behold (1802) - One of Wordsworth's best-known short poems. Opening lines:

My heart leaps up when I behold / A rainbow in the sky: ...

MY HEART LEAPS UP

MY heart leaps up when I behold A rainbow in the sky:

So was it when my life began; So is it now I am a man:

So be it when I shall grow old, Or let me die!

The child is father of the man; And I could wish my days to be Bound each to each by natural piety.

THE END