

Our Heroes

Here's a Hand to the person who has courage
To do what they know to be right;
When they fall in the way of temptation,
They have a hard battle to fight.
Who strives against self and his comrades
Will find a most powerful foe.
All honor to him if he conquers.
A cheer for the person who says "No! "

There's many a battle fought daily
The world knows nothing about;
There's many a brave little soldier
Whose strength puts a legion to rout.
And the person who fights sin singlehanded
Is more of a hero, I say,
Than one who leads soldiers to battle
And conquers by arms in the fray.

Be steadfast, my child, when you're tempted,
To do what you know to be right.
Stand firm by the colors of conviction,
And you will o'ercome in the fight.
"The right, " be your battle cry ever
In waging the warfare of life,
And God, who knows who are the heroes,
Will give you the strength for the strife.

Phoebe Cary (1824 – 1871)