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ADDITIONAL ENGLISH
CHAPTER 3 - NOW
A.A. PROCTER**

NOTES

THE POET

Adelaide Anne Procter (1825 – 1864) was an English poet and philanthropist. She worked for the cause of unemployed women and the homeless and was engaged in a lot of charity work. Her poems were set to music and made in hymns. Her poetry deals most commonly with subjects as homelessness, poverty, and fallen women. She was very much a voice for Victorian women in general. Much of her work was published by Charles Dickens in his periodicals ‘Household Words’ and ‘All the Year Round’ under the pseudonym Mary Berwick.

SUBSTANCE

In the poem, 'Now,' the poet tells the people about the importance of present time with reference to the past and the future. The poet points out that the present is the only time when one can act to realize one's dream and aspiration. So, one should learn to save the lesson of the present, instead of wasting one's energy and time thinking about past or future events. The present hour is passing, so the poet urges people to do their duty for a fruitful life.