Nr 9 The Healing

Now I know the source of iron The steel and all it's evil Blood of ages stop your coursing Stand by power of mighty magic

And at last the bloodstream ended As the magic words were spoken Send his young son to the smithy There to make a healing balsam

From the herbs of tender fibre
From the healing plants and flowers
From the stalks of secreting honey
From the roots and leaves of blossom

Place them within the furnace In an kettle made of copper Lets then steep and boil together Three long days of summer weather

Found at last that it was ready Found the magic balm was finished Touch the wounds with magic balsam Speaking words of old wisdom

Drove away the killing torment To the court of all our trouble To the highest hill of torture To the evil bearing mountains

Make the healing bandage
Tied the ends with silken ribbons
Straightway stronger the wound united
Looked with gratitude to heaven
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