

## ...ON THE SCAFFOLD HIGH...

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But whether on the scaffold high  
Or in the battle's van,  
The fittest place where man can die  
Is where he dies for man!  
*(Michael Joseph Barry)*

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### Note:

There is much dispute regarding information about Michael Joseph Barry; however, the following seems to be the most reliable:

Michael Joseph Barry (b. Cork, Ireland, 28 Mar 1817 - d. 23 Jan 1889), was an Irish Poet, Author, (some sources - Irish Barrister), and Political Figure.

The above quotation was featured in: "*The Dublin Nation*", 28 Sep 1844, Vol. ii. p. 809; and was reported in "*Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*", 10th Ed, (1919).

Barry's written works include:

*"A Waterloo Commemoration"*

*"Echoes from Parnassus"*

*"Lays of the War"*

*"Six Songs of a Beranger"*

*"Heinrich and Leonore, an Alpine Story"*

*"Ireland, as She Was as She Is, and as She Shall Be"*

*"Irish Emigration Considered"*

*"Songs of Ireland"* (joint edited with Thomas Osborne Davis)

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