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TO MY THREE BOYS.

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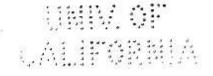
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THE WILLIS.

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THE Willis are out to-night, In the ghostly pale moonlight, With robes and faces white.

Swiftly they circle round, And make not any sound, Nor footprint on the ground.

The forest is asleep; All things that fly or creep A death-like silence keep.

A fear is over all; From spectral trees and tall The gathering night-dews fall,

Moveless are leaf and limb, While through the forest dim Slow glides a figure slim.