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THESE VERSES

ARE GRATEFULLY INSCRIBED.

*(Go, little Book, on this thy first emprise :
If that thou 'scape the critic Ogre-land,
And come to where young Beauty, with bright eyes,
Listless at noon, shall take thee in her hand,
Tell her that nought in thy poor Master stirs
Of art, or grace, or song,—that is not Hers.)*

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