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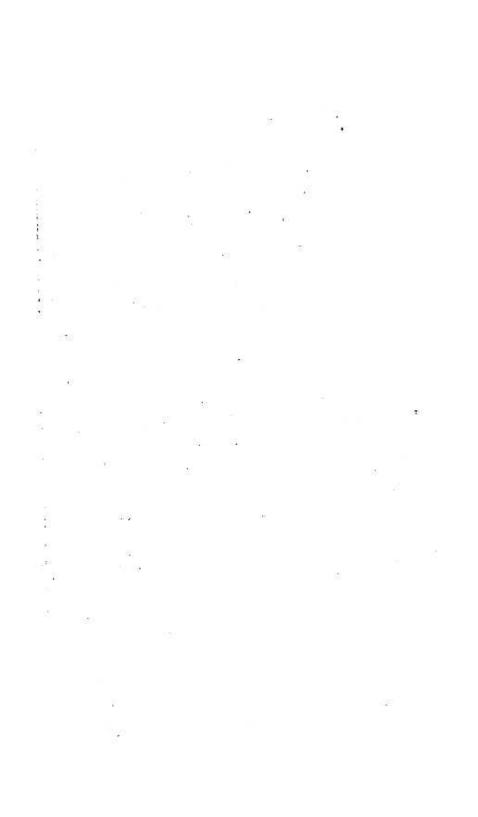
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DEDICATION.

TO RODOGENE.

I ROAMED thro' Heaven last night in dreams alone,
And heard loved voices that in far-off years
Waxed still in wakeless sleep fall on mine ears
In grand soul-song about God's golden throne.
High above all shivered a saintlier tone,
A pure voice breathed from the pale breast of prayer,
And when I saw God's light gleam on the hair
I knew her. It was she. Mine ownest own.
O glory that no mortal shadow mars!
O eyes bathed deep in wells of deepest Love t
And Hope I saw rose-hued with hallowed mirth,
And old dim tears shine clear, like winter stars;
Yes, all the Perfect Loveliness, whereof
Thou art the perfect shadow upon earth.



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A REVERIE.

I.

'Tis the longest day of summer:
Children's voices, loud and high,
Come to me, as if their bosoms
Could not mourn, nor ever die:
And the skylark, sunward floating,
Melts to music in the sky.

11.

I

As I mused, a maiden singing Tript athwart the trackless wild, Stood atween me and the sunlight,