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'Thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women'

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*To her for whose entertainment it was originally written,
this story belongs as of right. On the shrine of her
deathless memory I lay my little book.*

CHAPTER I

And he wandered away and away
With Nature the dear old nurse,
Who sang to him, night and day,
The rhymes of the universe.

LONGFELLOW'S *Fiftieth Birthday of Agassiz.*

TIM'S real name was not Tim: so much is certain. What it was, I have never inquired. The nickname had been bestowed on him so early in life that the memory of such men and women as knew him ran not to the contrary. Tim was Tim by immemorial custom; even his father, who had little reverence for established usages, never thought of altering this one, and, as one name is as good as another, we too will call him by the only one by which he was ever known.