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Destinies, ever adjusting the world's balance, dethrone the Titans, and exalt in their stead younger powers. Resisting to the last, Typhon is whelmed beneath falling masses of earth, where, a prisoner, he struggles on throughout eternity.

A whisper rolled upon the breathless night—
'Typhon, O Typhon, stalwart child and true!'
That far dim cave where sate the elder gods
Caught in its thousand craggy vaults the sound,
And murmured it from dome to pinnacle,
And bade it leap from jaggèd rock to rock,
And bore it on from roof to spherèd roof,
Until it stirred along the patient dark
Innumerable echoes, and the ear
Of Saturn, drowned to all but speechless woe,
Ope'd once again to listen; then his heart
Groaned in the bitter anguish, and he bowed
His gray locks to the earth. Hyperion,
The splendour who had lateliest fall'n from heaven,