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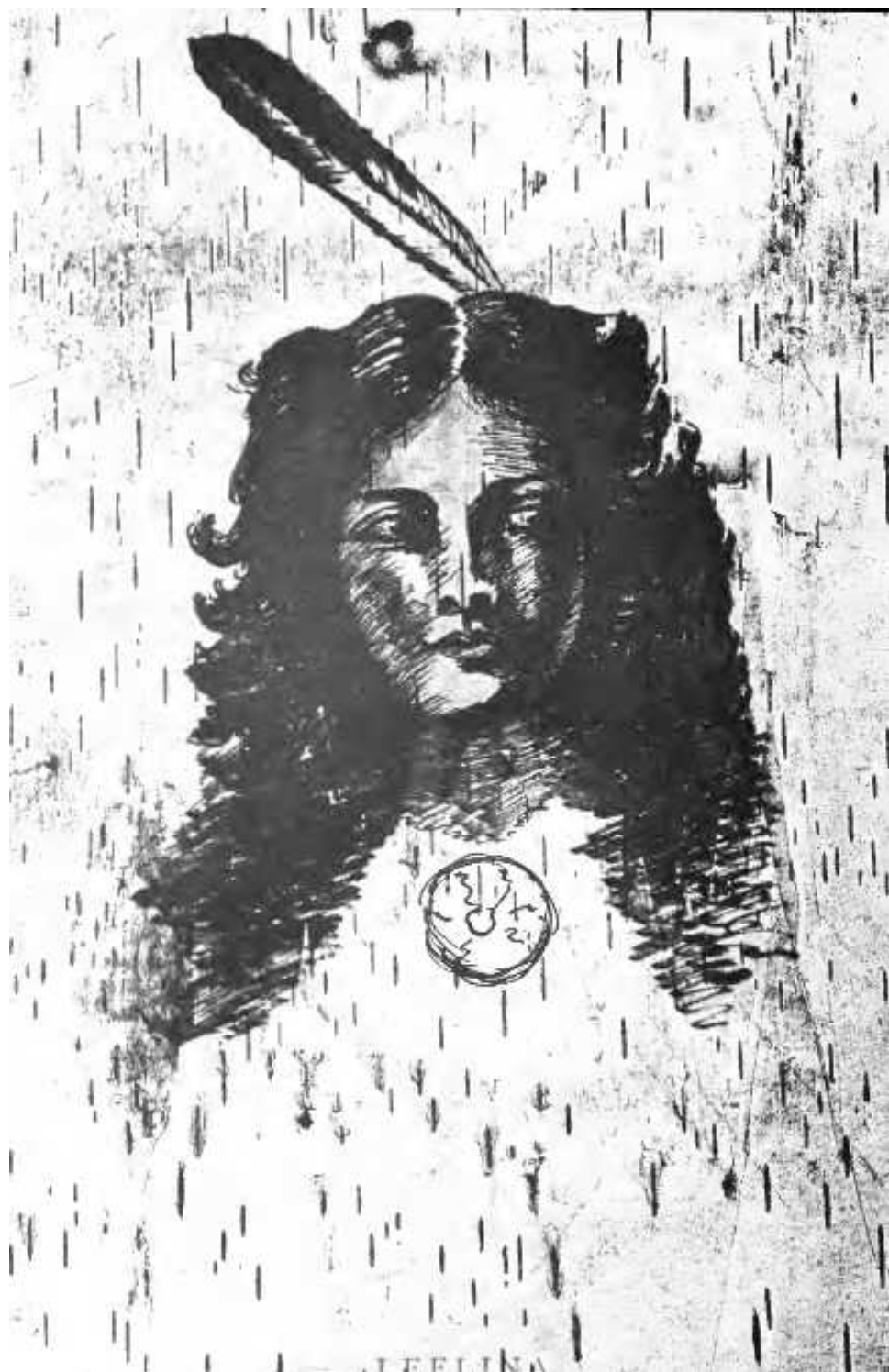
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This book is affectionately inscribed.

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camping ground to another. The squaws told them as they crouched on their rush mats beading moccasins or braiding baskets; the old men told them as they lay before the camp-fires at evening and watched the smoke from their pipes curl upward, and I give them as they were given to me, as the old men had handed them down from generation to generation, as they will be passed on to their children, and their children's children, as long as their is a wandering Ojibway left in the forests along the Big-Sea-Water. The truth is, Gentle Reader, Voracious Critic, I *had* to do something to make back the money I spent that Summer for tobacco to keep the story-teller's pipe working.

The natural attitude of the young writer coming with his first book, is meek and apologetic. He comes on all-fours, so to speak. I am only enabled to stand erect and claim for my book what it deserves by means of constant bolstering with Mr. Brander Matthews' shrewd advice in "The Philosophy of the Preface." I am also supported by the firm conviction that it will take a critic to discover all the good things that are