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"I carry that lost dream, with all its charms"

The Love Sonnets of

**Alphard
and
Beloise**

Ella Wheeler Wilcox



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at Hammond, Ind. 1907

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Heloise in Dante's



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HELOISE TO AVELARD



I
y that vast love and pas-
sion which I bore you,
By these long years of
solitude and grief,
By all my vows, I pray
and I implore you,
Assuage my sorrows
with a sweet relief.

Among these holy women, sin abhorring,
Whose snow-white thoughts fly ever to the Cross,
I am a sinner, with my passions warring,
All unrepentant, grieving for my loss.
Oh, not through zeal, religion or devotion,
Did I abandon those dear paths we trod;
I followed only one supreme emotion,
I took the veil for Avelard — not God!
O vows, O convent, though you have estranged
My lover's heart, behold my own unchanged!



