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Silvanus Harkness

*in 1897, aged 27.*

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Dear Mrs. Hankin

*Those of St. John Hankin's plays that were dedicated to any one were, of course, inscribed to you ; and in terms that made the playwright's general purpose in this direction sufficiently clear. Had he lived to see this collected record of the work that he did for the theatre, there is but one name that could have received the rightful homage of dedication, but with this comment my right in the matter ends. I may, however, be allowed to inscribe my work in preparing this edition to you who have sought so loyally to establish the reputation of the dramatist that it celebrates.*

*Very faithfully yours,*

*John Drinkwater*

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# INTRODUCTION

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