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TO AGNES IRWIN

"I, too, have dreamed" ¹

I

To you, who have both dreamed and done,
To you, who blessed our work and play,—
These later gatherings by the way
That tell where Springtime had begun.
Sought for and gathered, one by one,
From shadowy covert, leaf or clay,
We bring them back, as children may,
To warm in your rewarding Sun.
As children, clustering at the start,
After their roadside destinies,
Go violet-searching, all apart,
All mindful of the smile that sees,
We proffer your believing heart
Our handful of the Mysteries.

II

There shall no bound be set, we know,
To forward dream and following feet;
Save as unmeasuring Love shall mete
The distance Love gives strength to go.
There shall no pledge be ours to show
Save Truth, forever: — no defeat,
For us who hold one law complete, —
Life's one commandment, that we grow!
Take, in Love's name, these gathered leaves, —
Greeted and gathered, one by one, —
With all your welcoming faith perceives
Of things far sought beyond the Sun: —
The onward dream, — the homeward sheaves,
For you, who have both dreamed and done.

Josephine Preston Peabody

¹ From Miss Irwin's Commencement Address, June, 1909.

