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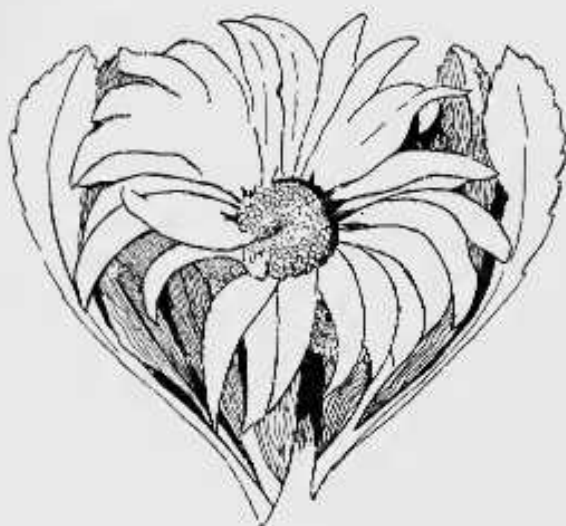


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Preface

I dedicate this BOOK OF FRAGMENTS to the one who shall find one poem that seems to have been written especially for him.

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FRAGMENTS.

All of life is made of fragments —
Fragments of the past come down.
Thought of God — by Him created,
And in future He will crown
Man perfected, pure and holy,
Fit companion e'en of God.
Man will take his place with angels,
Though his birthplace was the sod.

“Strike the harp and sound the timbrel!”
Sin will lose its power o'er man;
He will rise and claim his birthright —
Ne'er on him was placed a ban
Of eternal grief and sorrow;
Ignorance has caused his fall.
Nature gives to man her records
And on them he e'er can call.

And he should accept her teachings;
Ignorance should not be pall
To envelope his pure spirit —
Man must ever rise, not fall —