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"Not for arrogant pride
Nor over boldness fall they who have striven
To tell what they have heard, with voice too weak
For such high message. More fit is than ease,
Palace and pomp, honours and luxuries,
To have seen white Presences upon the hill
To have heard the voices of the Eternal Gods."

Epic of Hades.—SIR LEWIS MORRIS.

"The least of us is not too weak
To leave the world with something done."

Palinode.—EDMUND GOSSE.



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TO MY WIFE
AGNES STANFORD TAYLOR

HADST THOU NOT SERVED MY WAYWARD MOOD,
NOR LET MY LEISURE HAVE ITS WAY,
'TIS TRUTH TO SAY THIS LITTLE BROOD
OF VERSE WOULD NOT HAVE SEEN THE DAY;
EXCEPT THE CRUDE, IMPERFECT RHYMES
I COUPLED IN THE FAR-OFF TIMES,
WHEN DIVINATION COULD NOT SEE
WHAT THY FOND HEART SHOULD BRING TO ME;
AND IF THE MUSES NOW ENTWINE
THE SLENDEREST THREAD ROUND BROW OF MINE,
ONE HALF THE GLORY SHALL BE THINE.



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