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IN all the crowded Universe  
There is but one stupendous Word ;  
And huge and rough, or trimmed and terse,  
Its fragments build and undergird  
The songs and stories we rehearse.

All forms that human language tries,  
All phrases of the books and schools,  
And all the words of great and wise  
Are weak attempts, or clumsy tools,  
To speak the Word that speech defies.