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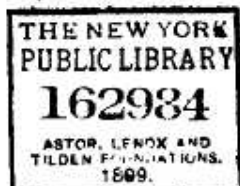
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Des Augenblickes Lust hat sie geboren,
Sie sicken fort im leichten Tanz der Soren.

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THE GREETING

With timid step irresolute, the Muse
Her eyes down-casting offers transient
flowers,
Content, if gentle hearts do not refuse
What pleased herself in many pleasant
hours;
With trembling fingers were the garlands
braided;
Oh! may they breathe of life nor be their hues
all faded!

In Nature's gardens infinite the sweets!

The moist Arbutus in close thickets trailing
Its clustered stars beneath Spring's footsteps,
meets

Welcome from wanderers its white beauty

hailing

The imperial Rose showers fragrance on the
gale;

Yet sweet, Forget-me-Not and Lily of the Vale.

I D E A L S .

ALLADIN's lamp, if thou wert mine,
I'd use the talisman divine,
To realize a Pageant bright,
That in no vision of the night,
Once charmed my senses with delight!

Upon lake Pleasant's flowery bank
A gorgeous dome should rise,
With crystal pillars rank on rank
Its gold roof bearing to the skies.