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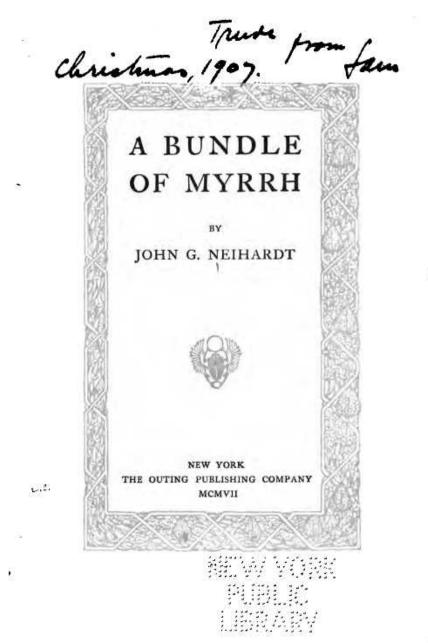
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There will be one to stand above my head, Her wan lips yearning toward my quiet lips That stung her soul so oft with bitter cries. And I shall feel forgiving finger-tips And I shall hear her saying with her sight: "This fool I mothered sucked a bitter breast; His life was fever and his soul was fire: O burning fool, O restless fool at rest, None knew but I how high you could aspire, None knew but I how deep your soul could sink!"

And when these words above the fool are said, The others ranged about the room shall think The fool is dead.

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"Who is she that looketh forth as the morning, Fair as the moon, Clear as the sun, And terrible as an army with banners?"

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