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In Memory of my Wife.

DEVOTED love was thine, a soul refined,
A rare intelligence 'neath gentle mien,
Embodying goodness with an air serene,
Soft voice, bright look reflecting the candid mind ;

Warm sympathy with all of human kind,
And ruth 'twixt brute and suffering ever seen,
While a divine unselfishness hath been
The unconscious means the heavenly pearl to find.

Such, Dearest, Thou ! A loftier poet's lays
Should sing of Thee in numbers far more sweet,
And weave thy virtues into nobler phrase ;

But still my Muse suggests, from her low seat,
That I should dedicate some words of praise
To Thee, with these poor Sonnets—till we meet.

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