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DEDICATION

WHAT bird that climbs the cool dim Dawn
But loves the air its wild wings roam?
And yet when all the day is gone
But turns its weary pinions home,
And when the yellow twilight fills
The lonely stretches of the West,
Comes down across the darkened hills,
Once more to its remembered nest?

And I who strayed, O Fond and True,
To seek that glory Jugitive
And fleeting music that is You,
But echoes of yourself can give
As through the waning gold I come
To where the Dream and Dreamer meet:
Yet should my Jaltering lips be dumb,
I lay these gleanings at your feet!



Prefatory Note

"Sappho in Leucadia," in shorter form, was first published in London, four years ago. In the same year Ainslee's Magazine printed certain parts of the play dealing with Sappho's love for Phaon. Portions of "The Passing of Aphrodite" appeared in the Atlantic Monthly under the title of "Hephæstus." Likewise some of the shorter poems in this book have been printed in periodicals, and I am indebted to the editors of the following magazines for permission to reissue such verses: The Canadian, The Oxford, The Bookman, The Century, The Smart Set, The American, The Reader, Ainslee's, McClure's, Everybody's and Harper's.

A. S.

