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Inscribed

TO MY

FATHER AND BROTHER,

THE COMPANIONS OF MY RAMBLE.

A SOMETHING—yet a nothing to the many,
Who crave a war of passions for their food :
A nothing—yet a something unto any,
By whom its tale is rightly understood ;
A chaplet framed by fingers weak and rude,
To wreath the jewelled crown of filial love,
To grace the gentle bonds of brotherhood,
Heedless what blast its blossoms may remove,
If to my comrades dear its perfume pleasing prove.

January, 1871.

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