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TO EDMUND GOSSE

*Voice of my soul, how faint your echoes ring!
Children of hope, how negligently dressed!
Friend, if you lean and listen where I sing,
I care not for the rest.*

*Ah, the thin harvest of laborious days!
Truest of critics and of friends most true,
The chastened glories of my slender lays
Be consecrate to you.*

*Rich and profuse your precious balms were shed;
They smoothed your critic arrows, saved the smart;
They broke the stubborn pride of hand and head;
They did not break the heart!*

Exon, 1894.

'—nec me mea fallit imago.'

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