## DEDICATION.

I come not here to speak the words that other men did say,

I come to say the words, that speak the thoughts, that I myself should say.

To the companions of my boyhood, if any remain;

The instructors and defenders of my youth,

If they know who they are;

To the friends and enemies of my manhood,

If such luxury be mine;

To the land of my birth, of my hopes, of my fears,

If it will take the offering at my hand.

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