TENNYSON.

THE LADY OF SHALOTT.

PART I.

On either side the river lie Long fields of barley and of rye, That clothe the wold and meet the sky; And thro' the field the road runs by To many-tower'd Camelot;			
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		And up and down the people go,	
		Gazing where the lilies blow	
Round an island there below,			
The island of Shalott.			
Willows whiten, aspens quiver,	10		
Little breezes dusk and shiver			
Thro' the wave that runs for ever			
By the island in the river			
Flowing down to Camelot.			
Four gray walls, and four gray towers,	15		
Overlook a space of flowers,			
And the silent isle imbowers			
The Lady of Shalott.			
By the margin, willow-veil'd,			
Slide the heavy barges trail'd	20		
By slow horses; and unhail'd			
The shallop flitteth silken-sail'd			
Skimming down to Camelot;			
But who hath seen her wave her hand?			
Or at the casement seen her stand?	25		
Or is she known in all the land,			
The Lady of Shalott?			