Alas this cry but binds the soul and flesh, The fibrous threads of weakness grow afresh,

A present strength alone can loose their strands

And conquer all their powers to enmesh.

LXII.

My life itself is nothing but a vine Which, growing, winds its branches round the shrine

Of God, and seeks his very Spirit there, Hoping to gain the essences divine.

LXIII.

A deed the outcome of a hidden thought, Fostered, forgotten, yet its tendrils caught Around the vine and blended with the growth,

Until it flowered, and its sorrow brought.

LXIV.

Bitterness, malice, hatred, burning names
To give to simple thoughts; but truth
proclaims

That step by step the fever ever spreads, While mighty deeds evolve from simple games.