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At Minas Basin.

About the buried feet of Blomidon,
Red-breasted sphinx with crown of grey and green.
The tides of Minas swirl,—their veiled queen
Fleet-oared from far by galleys of the sun.
The tidal breeze blows its divinest gale!
The blue air winks with life like beaded wine!—
Storied of Glooscap, of Evangeline—
Each to the setting sun this sea did sail.
Opulent day has poured its living gold
Till all the west is belt with crimson bars,
Now darkness lights its silver moon and stars,—
The festal beauty of the world new-old.
Facing the dawn, in vigil that ne'er sleeps,
The sphinx the secret of the Basin keeps.

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The Value of a College Residence.

The College as a means of culture for the human intellect has for centuries justly held a foremost position among men. Even before the dawn of the earliest civilization known to the Eastern world, the possibilities of the human mind were in a measure recognized. Some products of this mind in action in those early times have come down to us, and contemplating them, though enchanted by their originality, we are startled by their crudeness, and enabled to form some conception of the infinite space traversed by human thought: yet finite, when we cast a glance ahead