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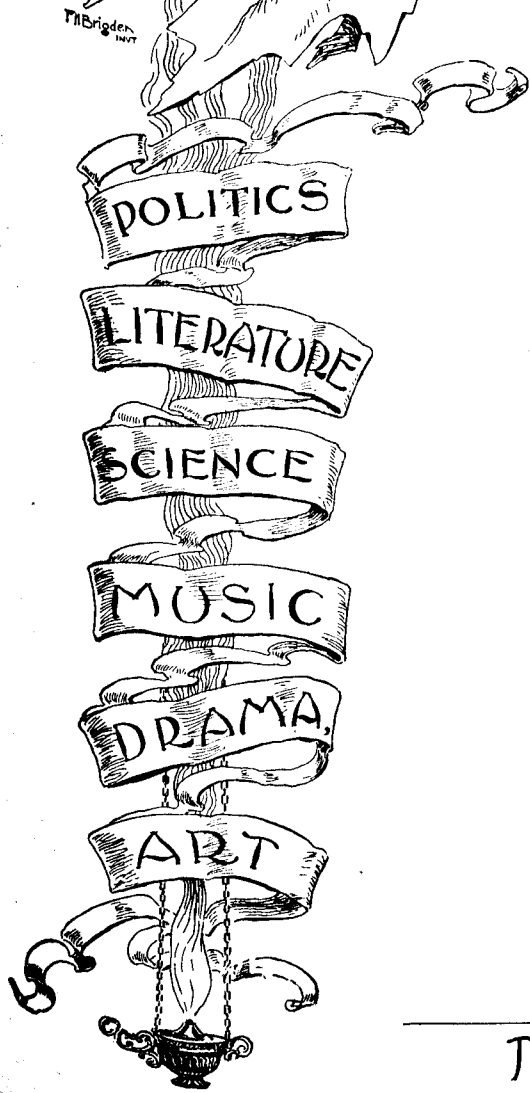
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The Silent Singer.

"Dreamer of dreams," absorbed in loveliness,
Without thy voice it is an "empty day";
Thou "idle singer," whose serene, sweet lay
Beguiled the soul when others wrought distress;
"Born out of thy due time"—thy song no less
Hath marked thy journey, as the flowers of May
Tell us that Spring hath passed adown our way
And whispered, hand to lips, "Confess! confess!"
Seeking thine own, thy soul hath travelled far;
Yet vain for thee an "Earthly Paradise"
As Jason's journey for the Golden Fleece.
How thou hast gone unto another star,
To greet thy kindred in eternal skies—
To share in Chaucer's and Boccaccio's peace.

William S. Lord, in The Dial.