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Dear Sir:-

Your proof was delayed and the part of the paper in which your poem appears had already gone to press; but I stopped the press for the most important of the changes. Many of them I had previously made myself.

I have let the line "arch'd soft looks," &c. stand, but I still think it is rather stretched matters — if not meters — to get two feet out of the first two words.

Yours very truly
John Eliot Bowen,
Editor