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And bright the jewelled hand that smoothes an Ethiopian's head;
Pure are the grains of gold in the turbid stream of the tongue;
And fair the living flowers that spring from the dull cold sod.
Wherefore, thou gentle student, lend a thine ear to my speech,
For I also am as thou art; our hearts can converse together;
To moment matters will I stoop, for mean is the lot of mortal;
I will rise to subvert thrones, for the meek hath a heritage of glory."

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