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The lore of Rome and Athens thou didst know,
As Horace taught thee how to fit a word
Where it belonged; and Troy's old story stirred
Thy placid deeps. These did on thee bestow
The measured discipline of culture; so
Justice in thine appraisal aye was heard;
Still in thy mind the boy was not interred,
As lure of outdoor life did amply show.

We see thee now, like a shy maiden, meet
Us in that sloping room; we see thee lift
The gown about thy shoulders, slender, neat.
The wit that edged thy speech oft brought a rift
Of laughter; and there is a hidden shrine
In many a heart for that old name of thine.

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