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Forgotten Books, 2015. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from Poetical Works, Vol. 1 A Ballad of Life. I found in dreams a place of wind and flowers, Full of sweet trees and color of glad grass, In midst whereof there was A lady clothed like summer with sweet hours, Her beauty, fervent as a fiery moor Made my blood burn and swoon Like a flame rained upon. Sorrow had filled her shaken eyelids blue, And her mouth s sad red heavy rose all through Seemed sad with glad things gone. She held a little cithern by the strings, Shaped heartwise, strung with subtle-colored hair Of some dead lute player That in dead years had done delicious things. The seven strings were named accordingly; The first string charity, The second tenderness, The rest were pleasure, sorrow, sleep, and sin, And loving kindness, that is pity s kin And is most pitiless. There were three men with her, each garmented With gold and shod with gold upon the feet; And with plucked ears of wheat. The first man s hair was wound upon his head: His face was red, and his mouth...

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