INFINITY





This lonely hill to me was ever dear this hedge, which shuts from view so large a part of the remote horizon.



As I sit

and gaze, absorbed, I in my thought conceive the boundless spaces that beyond it range, the silence supernatural and rest profound; and I am calm.



And as I listen to the wind, that through these trees is murmuring, its plaintive voice I with that infinite compare;



And things eternal I recall, and all the seasons dead, and this, that round my lives, and utters its complaint.



Thus wandering my thought in this immensity is drowned; and sweet to me is shipwreck on this sea.

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