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Philosophy is what we do not know,
Religion fosters grief and petty hates;
Belief in God relieves men of their woe,
Art entertains, and science educates,
Pure knowledge is elusive of our minds.
And hides from us when in our books we grope;
Theism is a fantasy which blinds
Our eyes, and yet results in shining hope.
But think of this, as man goes into space:
That truth has dawned at last upon the world
Of thought, and that it shows its gleaming face
As would a brand-new flag just now unfurled.
For knowledge lies upon the path we tread,
When ignorance and fallacy are dead.