Muted Land

Faith and the Muse

(Words written by Grandfather Lloyd Richards, 1929) There was a friend upon whom once Nature played her joke She gave him width instead of height And hands too large for chivalry A strength of body quite too great To satisfy a soul that craved aesthetic light She must have smiled when in that frame Was placed a heart so delicate For it would vibrate melody Until her artifice produced wild rhapsody With eyes that sought insatiably The harmonies of life he found But discord and a dark despair And so the jest so well conceived turned tragedy The spirit tired and sought release