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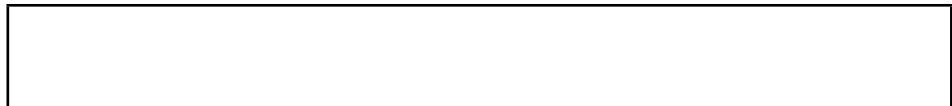
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*“There is a pleasure in the pathless woods,  
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There is society, where none intrudes,  
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