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*And on this frail pen alone
Does rest the burthen of
Transcriptions of haunting memories:
My fingers tremble
Lest I make her ugly, and distorted;
Or lest, in poring over realms of gold,
I fall into pits of tar as some
Great and stupid beast of ages past —
And there remain, never to be dug up,
(Indeed with no such fancy
To be found in that dull state).*

*Yet memory and desire,
Insidious friends do summon and push too,
Lest the ink dries to the point I hold,
And thus forms not
Even footsteps to make casts of.*

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