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ROBERT HERRICK: SELECTED POEMS ROBERT HERRICK (1591-1674) was one of the Cavalier poets (other Cavalier poets included Suckling, Carew and Lovelace). He was born in London and lived much of his life in the rough remoteness of a parish in Devonshire. He studied at Cambridge (St John s College and Trinity Hall). His law studies were dropped in 1623, and he was ordained as a deacon and priest in 1624. Herrick s major work, *Hesperides* or *The Works Both Humane and Divine* of Robert Herrick Esq., was published in 1648. There are some 1130 poems in the first, secular part, *Hesperides*, and 272 in *Noble Numbers*, the religious pieces. Herrick s poetry (his *Hesperides*) followed the plan outlined the poem *The Argument of His Book*, with its lyrical evocation of the natural world. Herrick was particularly well situated, geographically, to write nature poetry. Like Coleridge, Wordsworth and Bronte, Herrick lived in the midst of the countryside, in the relative isolation of Dean Prior, on the edge of Dartmoor in Devon. There are many...



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