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## $\mathcal{H}_{ ext{agar}}$

## By EDGAR DANIEL KRAMER

Before my berry-pail was full,

The dark came stealing down,
And so I took the woodland path

To hurry back to town;
But, as I ran on frightened feet

Because the light was gone,

From out the shadows that I feared

There leaped a leering faun.

He seized me in his hairy arms
With mocking in his eyes,
And with his hand across my mouth
He stilled my startled cries;
But, when I staggered from the wood
And through the moon-strewn grass.
I was a woman bowed with grief,
No more a laughing lass.

Though I shall be for ever banned
From consecrated ground,
Though wo will make my mother weep,
When she learns I am drowned,
God willing, she will never know
That I chose this mad part
Because the offspring of a faun
Now breathes beneath my heart,