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# Thrice Haunted

By ALFRED I. TOOKE

I am thrice haunted! Every night I see  
Three haunting faces peering in at me.

A beggar's face. He asked for alms. I said:  
"Out of my way!" They found him later—dead!

A brother's face. He asked forgiveness. I  
Sent him away to prison, there to die.

A mother's face. She asked a promise true,  
I broke my word. Her heart was broken, too.

Pull down the blind, you say, and shut them out?  
They haunt me from within—not from without.