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## WHITE LILIES

## By JOSIE McNAMARA LYDON

White lilies grow above your bed;
A gleaming marble marks its head.
The swaying lilies, bending low,
Drip crystal tears; they seem to know
I grieve for your dear spirit fled.

The world tramps by with hurried tread; It has no time to mourn the dead,

Nor has it solace to bestow

Where lilies grow.

Alone my hopeless tears are shed;
Alone my futile prayers are said.

Dear eyes, that one short year ago
Were lit with love's celestial glow—
Forever closed; above your bed
White lilies grow.