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O thou, most like Athens old, That leaped full grown from Zeus' high brain! O, thou, new born, who yet dost hold Such truth as never shall again Impatient wait a sovereigns reign! O, thou, that bravest the Western air-That bold, free West, yet not more bold Than thy fair self, who thus canst dare! Hail! All hail! Forever hail! When power born not of love shall fail, Shall not thy name be reverenced still? And, thou most like Athens, say! Hopest thou beneath thy watchful eyes To see another Athens rise? Hopest not to see the strong "I will" That made one empire in a day, Yet hold a second nobler sway.