

DRY STICKS,

FAGOTTED

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W. S. LANDOR TO L. KOSSUTH,  
PRESIDENT OF HUNGARY.

At your gate I lay my fagot of *Dry Sticks*, and go away. I offended you by attempting to bring Fortune thither, whom I never solicited to favor me personally. My zeal was inconsiderate; but perhaps it ought to have offended less that lofty pride to which alone I ever was obsequious. Permit me to offer the only amends I can: permit me to show my respect and reverence toward the man who has worthily occupied a higher station than any one in this country can attain.

The eloquence of Milton and of Demosthenes failed in the support of their cause; the same cause and the same eloquence as yours. Supply me with your english, and I may be able at last to express my veneration of your virtues.

AD COSSUTHUM ET BEMUM.

GENS clara ripas Danubii colit,  
Semper fidelis regibus, imperj  
Haud semper æqui; nunc resurgit  
Impatenter avita virtus.

Quicumque laudes diceret omnium  
Quot extiterunt nobilioribus  
Ibi triumphis, ante parcas  
Præferet Historiam Canenas:

Vix ipsa largis claudere paginis  
Sperabit omnes. Huiusmodi unicum  
Inter trecentes Musæ amanter  
Ausoniae pavitans sequetur.

At non minores jam video aggredi  
Regem insolentem; jam video supra  
Victoriam cristas volare,  
Sistete jam video, duorum.

Cossuthes primus jure locus tibi  
Haud imperito milite cernitur  
Et cive, nec longe remotum  
Adspiciunt equitare Bemum.

Valete, fluctus clara nigros super,  
Fraterna belli sidera! gloriam  
Qui contulerunt, dent utrique  
Munera Dii meliora pacis!

IN IMAGINEM BATTIIANII.

COSSUTHO minor unico inter omnes  
Omni Istri regione, Battiani!  
Vultus obtueor tuos dolenter.  
Sed qui sculptor imaginem excitavit?  
Idem qui Periclem Jovemque finxit,  
Et domus decus Atticæ Minervam?  
Quali morte, vir inelyte, occidisti!  
Dedit carnifici nimis pudicum  
Falsi Cæsaris impudica conjux.