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ALEXANDER POPE

[Epitaph. On Himself]

Under this marble, or under this sill,  
Or under this turf, or e'en what they will;  
Whatever an heir, or a friend in his stead,  
Or any good creature shall lay o'er my head,  
Lies one who ne'er car'd, and still cares not a pin,  
What they said, or may say, of the mortal within:  
But who, living and dying, serene still and free,  
Trusts in God, that as well as he was, he shall be.