



## Belarusian Literature in English Translations

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At candor,  
ever happy to tell all;  
at seekers for the fern-flower,  
truth as well;  
at dreams  
which live in hope and indecision –  
I'll never cast  
                                  the brick-bat of derision,  
Because, so doing,  
                                  I shall strike myself.

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*Translated by W. May*