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BOOKS IN BRIEF.

Larkspur. A Lyric Garland. Vine Press. Steyning.6/-.

This Garland of little-known love lyrics, artistically printed and embellished with cuts by Dennis West, is worth possessing. The lyrics, by such poets or rhymesters as Nicholas Udall, William Drummond, Robert Greene, Edmond Waller, Aphra Behn, Tom D'Urfey, and Keats—to name about half the authors on whom levy is laid—are often outspoken on certain aspects of the softer passions, but they are always natural and gay, and their lyricism is indubitable. From this last point of view the contention of the prologue, that the songs are “the word of the gods to an,” is sound.