

**Polemical Poetry**

And in whats'ere that worde is writte<sup>1</sup> (Baker's *Life*, Ampleforth)

[368] And in whats'ere that worde is writte,  
it yealds a siluer sounde;  
But if that worde I misse in it,  
me thinkes I want my grounde

Nothing so simple can be penn'd, 5  
if it but treate of love,  
But that is serueth in some sorte  
my sadness to remoue.

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<sup>1</sup> This poem is a fragment of "Amor Ordinem Nescit," lines 25-32.