

William Knox

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William Knox was born in the parish of Lilliesleaf, Roxburgh, on August 17th, 1789. His parents made sure he had a good education, first at the parish school of Lilliesleaf, and afterwards at the grammar-school of Musselburgh. At the age of 16, he was sent to a lawyer's office. He didn't go there to study about law, but rather he acquired general knowledge and practical habits of business. It was necessary for he was the oldest of 6 children and would take his father's place when the time comes. He would later soon become a poet and he would quit the farm to try and become a better poet. He unwisely squandered his health and wealth and died at a young age of 36.

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