Have you seen but a white lily grow (Version c)

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Before rude hands had touch'd it? Have you?

Before the fall of the snow Be - fore the earth had smutch'd it? Have you felt the wool of bea - ver?

Or swan's down, ever? Have you?

Or smelt to the bud of the bri - ar? Or the nard in the fire? Or have
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