

I, Kent Kraft, 3rd year citizen of
this renowned and most ancient University
of St Andrews, humble and schooled in the
tales of either tongue¹, from you, Kay Elder,
My bejantine most dear to me, who

Dazzlingly resembles the immortal goddess
in her appearance²

Jumping about, now here, now there³
throughout the world and even from the lands of Mexico,
a region which is very warm indeed, but
pleasant and hardly to be scorned⁴, to study
Biology (pursue a way of life) and glide through
the snows of winter, affirm that I have
received one pound of raisins, for which I give
many thanks.

Given at St Andrews, Nov. 1966

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1. Horace, Ode III - Macaenas
2. Iliad, Book IV - Helen
3. Catullus, early poem (applied to a sparrow)
4. Livy, Book XXX (applied to Polybius)