

[11] A Rural Life

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man en- joyed him- self Till pride_ ex- chang- ed peace for strife And hap- pi- ness_ for