

Silent Witness Painting Final quotes

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In chambers deep,
Where waters sleep,
What unknown treasures pave the floor.

- Edward Young, *Ocean* (st. 24) English poet and dramatist (1683 - 1765)

The hollow sea-shell, which for years hath stood
On dusty shelves, when held against the ear
Proclaims its stormy parent, and we hear
The faint, far murmur of the breaking flood.
We hear the sea.

- Eugene J. Lee-Hamilton, *Sonnet--Sea-shell Murmurs* English poet and novelist (1845 - 1907)

The sea, my mother, with billowy swell,
Is telling her tale to the wave-washed shell.

David MacDonald Ross b.1865 "The Sea to the Shell"

Silent witness.

An echo of the eternal
Held in the palm of my hand.

Ageless ornament,
Composed in simple elegance
and intricate beauty.

You whisper unknowable depths
And murmur quietly
The mystery
And grandeur
Of creation.

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But listen thou well, for my shell hath speech.

- Charles Henry Webb, *With a Nantucket Shell* American journalist and author (1834 - 1905)