SONNET 19. 2 devour ... brood take back within herself the beautiful Devouping Time, blunt thou the lion's paws things (here primarily the flowers) which have sprung from her. 41519 And make the earth devour her own sweet brood; phænix a mythical bird which, after having lived for many centuries, bursts into fire and is reborn out of its own ashes. It was a conventional Pluck the keen teeth from the fierce tiger's jaws And burn the long-liv'd phoenix in her blood; She is also symbol of immortality. in her blood alive. 5 fleets DYCE; Q: "fleet'st." Both were common Elizabethan forms. 10 antique (a) ancient (b) antic, Land Make glad and sorry seasons as thou fleets, - Charles grotesque. 11 untainted (a) untouched, unsullied (b) uninjured. To And do whate'er thou wilt, swift-footed Time, "taint" was to "hit" in the sport of tilting. 12 beauty's . . . men a To the wide world and all her fading sweets; model of perfect beauty to be admired by succeeding generations. wrong injury. But I forbid thee one most heinous crime! (whe he O, carve not with thy hours my love's fair brow King sig-ch. t= Egyptero Nor draw no lines there with thine antique pend Him in thy course untainted do allow For beauty's pattern to succeeding men Yet do thy worst, old Time! Despite thy wrong, Titan delebrat My love shall in my verse ever live young. SONNET 20. In this sonnet the poet affirms the masculinity of his A woman's face, with Nature's own hand painted friend and disclaims any homosexual interest on his own part. I with Hast thou, the master mistress of my passion; Nature's . . . painted of natural beauty, not aided by cosmetics. A woman's gentle heart, but not acquainted master mistress mistress who is a man (as opposed to the female mistresses of other sonnet writers). The point is that his friend's beauty is causing Leice Ser - With shifting change, as is false women's fashion; the poet to address him as other poets address their mistresses, but he is, Symbol of An eye more bright than theirs less false in rolling, in fact, a man and the poet's master. passion love. 5 rolling passing Gilding the object whereupon it gazeth; 'hero" from one object to another. 6 Gilding The metaphor rests upon the A man in hue all hues in his controlling, Hughs notion that the eye exuded beams upon objects in its sight. Like the sun, lover) his friend's eye gives forth beams of gold. 7 A man . . . his controlling Which steals men's eyes and women's souls amazeth. a man whose form (hue) may set the standard by which the forms of other And for a woman wert thou first created, boughty bund men may be judged. By "hue" is meant the peculiar combination of Till Nature as she wrought thee fell a-doting? humours within the body which was believed to determine the total human being, both in physique and personality. 8 Which who. 11 de-And by addition me of thee defeated fem wine feated defrauded. 12 to my . . . nothing of no use to me. 13 prick'd By adding one thing to my purpose nothing. thee out selected you especially (with the obvious quibble). But since she prick'd thee out for women's pleasure, (the employment for sexual purposes. Mine be thy love, and thy love's use their treasure. " Cy prick-song bob" of music reading toral 120-Cloth of 90 Hugh Roe O Donnell