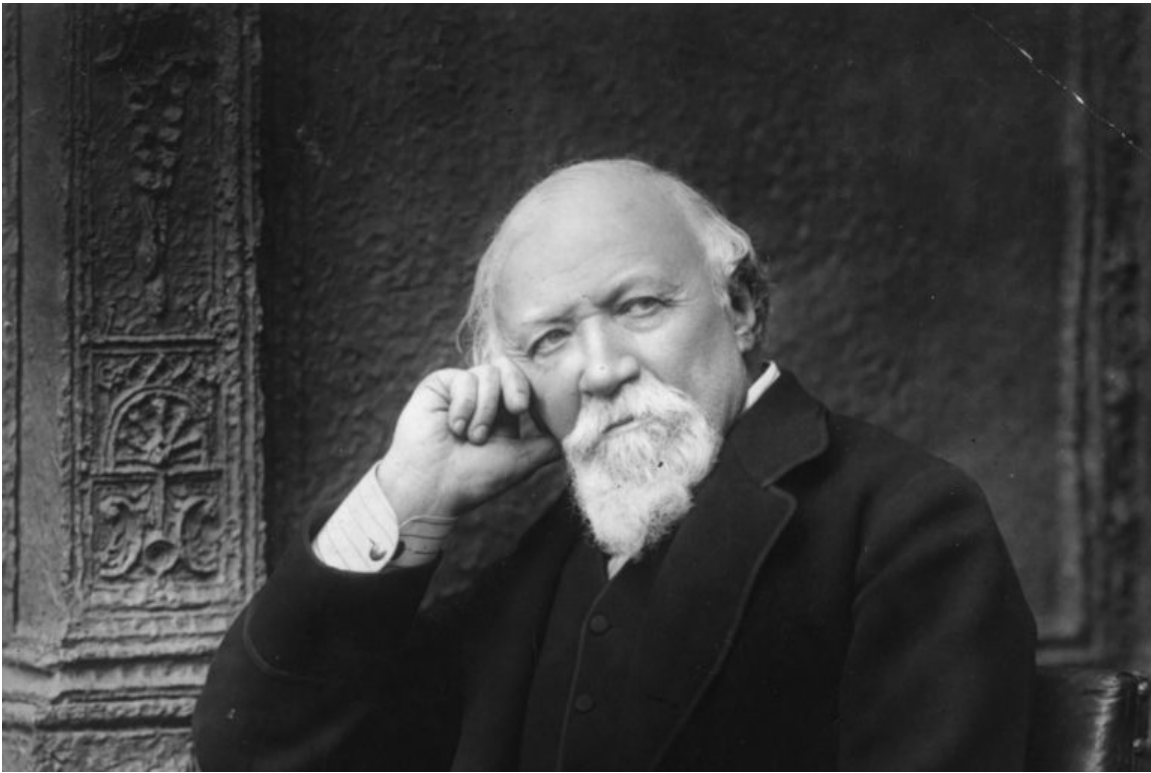


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Robert Browning was born in Camberwell, England, and his education mostly took place among his father's 6,000-book library. As a writer, Browning was regarded as a failure for many years, living in the shadow of his wife Elizabeth Barrett Browning. However, late in life Browning's brilliant use of dramatic monologue made him a literary icon. Today, his most widely read work is *Men and Women*, a collection of dramatic monologues dedicated to his wife.