## Great Books Seminar Assignment 24

- 1. On the right is a picture of Alfred Tennyson.
- 2. Finish reading Thomas Hardy's *Far from the Madding Crowd*, chapters 33–end.
- 3. "Fun Fact": Did you know that Alfred Tennyson was the godfather of Charles Dickens' sixth son, whom Dickens named *Alfred D'Orsay Tennyson Dickens*?
- 4. If you did not hand in your essay, please email it as soon as you can!
- 5. Write your timed five-paragraph essay on the following statement by Ralph Waldo Emerson: *Money often costs too much*. Respond to Emerson's statement by asking yourself the



following: *Do we lose something by having money, or does money enrich our lives by allowing us opportunities we would not otherwise have?* You have exactly 45 minutes, no more. Please type out your composition and format your essay carefully:

- The first paragraph is your introduction, which broaches the topic, gives the necessary background information necessary for the reader to understand your discussion, and ends with a main idea.
- The next three paragraphs form the body of the essay, each of which should begin with a topic sentence that relates to the main idea. Explain each of the main ideas and use examples if appropriate.
- The last paragraph is the conclusion, which should talk about the significance of what you have just written.

## Long Range Assignments

• Next week we will start a new classic work: Tennyson's *Idylls of the King*. Please bring your textbook with you on Friday, as we are going to read some of it in class.