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Through her mirror she sees the way To rid herself of the troubles of the day A perfect life, with pleasures galore, Where she can forget that she is poor That mirror sitting on the street Gives her some comfort when she's beat In that new world she can pretend She has a house, money...a friend Elegant feasts grace her table each night These thoughts help erase the wind's cold bite For this little girl, imagination is the sole key To be someone she'll never again be Her life was once filled with wishes coming true Until the dreadful day that the rent was due Her father had been laid off from his job The men in suits came in and seemed to rob Her parents of every joy they had worked for Leaving them to live without even a door She looks in her mirror each and every night And promises herself it will be all right.