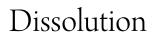


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Dissolution

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"I dreamt of a dream tonight," he says, though of what he'll never tell

"And so did I."

There's something wrong with them tonight

Witchery seems to be at work though others hardly know For lovers' tension, buried beneath the surface, seems hardly apparent to the innocent. (Or those hardly guileless and et still blind)

they dream of pretty things, it seems dancing girls and Capulets Fair queens madly consorting with their mortals And yet in less pretty ways their time is spent.

For what's a dream but futile hope? A wish? A prayer? There is no celestial desire from the jaded.

Shadows lurk within layers of conversation love is a more dangerous topic than they know for one embittered and yet another enamored with no more than a gossamer-thin vision.

"Well, what was yours?"

Speak first, 'ere he's lost to you Two souls unlike and yet unable to resist the other (and unable to resist as well and unholy desire to tear the union in two).

Mercutio will lose this night To no more than an idea For Romeo's obsession leads him to any who will have him And he is in and out of love faster than any.

He'll lose his life and love for vision and his comrade's lack thereof. Over cynicism and lust pretty delusions such as Romeo's will have no hold.

"That dreamer often lie"

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