Brief Even As Bright

Die Verbannten Kinder Evas

The flower that smiles today Tomorrow dies All that we wished to stay Temps and then flies What is the worlds delight? Lightning that mocks the night Brief even as bright Virtue how frail it is Friendship too rare Love, how it sells poor bliss For proud despair But we, though soon they fall Survive the joy and all Which ours we call What is the worlds delight? Lightning that mocks the night Brief even as bright Whilst yet the calm hours creep Dream thou and from thy sleep Than wake to weep