

## The Raven

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And in the dawning of the day in late September  
There came a weeping from outside my chamber door  
Weary from fever I rose up looked out the elder  
A Raven with a broken wing yet nothing more

I turn my head the once and bird become a damsel  
With lips of cherry, ivory skin and lustrous hair  
Open the doorway wide and smile for her to enter  
Not in my lifetime seen a beast so rare

Sweet thighs of ruin how I loved her, and I loved her  
She muttered low and helped me to her infant breasts  
Deliverance was long and strong as god's my witness  
Babylon burning sorrow known with each caress

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And with the medal Eguinal had done their duty  
The morning glory lying awoke with duly low  
I breathed my last the day the warning bell was knelling  
She smoothed her feathers down and flew back out my window

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