

Common Species

Old Man Gloom

FILTHY INSECTS SCUTTLE IN PITCH BLACK, TIRELESS
ERECTING TEMPLES OF WISDOM REVERSED
GNAWING CAVERNS THROUGH THE FOLDS OF THE SOUL THROUGH VENTRICLE
S AND VEINS
PARASITIC SPAWN DEVOTED SERVANTS FIRST AS PUPAE INGESTED INHALE
D IN THROUGH THE EYES THE EARS SQUIRMING IN THE MOUTH
SWALLOWED INTO THE DEPTHS
GROWING IN SUCCESSIVE WAVES
THEIR COMMON SPECIES: LUST, ANGER, FOUL DECEPTION, THE SCOURGE
OF THE AVERTED EYE
IN WEAKNESS, IN BLINDNESS, AND IN SLUMBER, I AM RIGHTLY DEVOURE
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THEIR BITES LEAVE NOT WELTS UPON THE SKIN BUT SCARS UPON THE SO
UL
MY TASK, TO BRING DOWN INTO THEIR MASSES WHITE FLAME
A SALVE FOR ANCIENT WOUNDS, AND RENDER THEM TO NAUGHT