Watch Her Disappear

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Last night I dreamed that I was dreaming of you And from a window across the lawn I watched you undress Wearing your sunset of purple tightly woven around your hair That rose in strangled ebony curls Moving in a yellow bedroom light The air is wet with sound The faraway yelping of a wounded dog And the ground is drinking a slow faucet leak Your house is so soft and fading as it soaks the black summer h eat A light goes on and the door opens And a yellow cat runs out on the stream of hall light and into the yard

A wooden cherry scent is faintly breathing the air I hear your champagne laugh You wear two lavender orchids One in your hair and one on your hip A string of yellow carnival lights comes on with the dusk Circling the lake with a slowly dipping halo And I hear a banjo tango

And you dance into the shadow of a black poplar tree And I watched you as you disappeared I watched you as you disappeared I watched you as you disappeared I watched you as you disappeared