

# LITERARY PAGE

## Old Flame Blues

Friend... Lover... Enemy... Friend  
Sweet dance away lover  
Banished to a dark room  
Too dear for memory

Shimmering golden joy  
that shattered and smashed...  
Jagged shards of pure crystal  
tainted by heart's blood

Dark, crippling grief...  
Slow and brutal journey  
From the vale of the shadow  
Frail return to warm sunlight

Manchild dances close again  
Phoenix stirring old ashes  
Kindling bittersweet memory  
Of sunshine and loving

Now a cold stranger  
Hard as African diamond  
Oh so gracefully exits  
Innocent of emotion

Stunned into silence  
Hope dies in the ashes  
Ice cold winter winds scream  
Night without sanctuary.

DAWN LEAVITT

## The Whoring of an Innocent

Perceive me not as a Babe  
for no longer in your simple Eden shall I graze.  
Ne'er a foundation has a mortar ever bound so  
fast  
as by these blood-laced fingertips  
and soul-dipped eyes.  
You mourn my ivory diadem abandoned (O  
tempora, O mores!)-  
my thorned crown unborne,  
yet the pungency stems from your own denial.  
This intrinsic repudiation of my unchaste  
quietus  
lends only mockery to your countenance  
and consequence to my wanderlust.  
So go now, you of the ancient regime!  
Hide amid your numbered members!  
Flee to the stately folds of your virgin paradise!  
There the chords rave of the betrayal in a gnaw-  
ing stagnation,  
whilst I, who have partaken of the Fruit  
and dared disturb the universe,  
am merely fired brighter by your futile  
crematorium.  
For within this impregnated visage breeds hope  
and the desire to shape destiny.

JOHN HEINSTEIN

## The Sundew

Oh beware of me  
For I am the sundew.

I will lure you  
With my smell  
Of promise;

I will entwine you  
With my arms  
Of illusionment

I will hold you  
With my lies  
Of hope;

I will dance  
With you as you  
Die in sweet agony;

I will feast  
On your carcass  
Then drop you on the wind;

Oh beware of me  
For I am the sundew

ELSIE ROACH

Dr;

From what you have written,  
It is still quite unclear.  
For I need to know more,  
Before I let you near.

You must be kind and gentle,  
And care from deep within.  
For my heart has been betrayed,  
And my hope is wearing thin.

As I have been waiting for that someone,  
For many, lonesome years.  
To fill up my empty heart,  
And wipe away these tears.

Could you be the one,  
I have been waiting for?  
Let's find out.  
Please, tell me more.

KAREN AULD

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