## Dessa "The Chaconne"

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Now the bough breaks

The books I read Said you were a fragile kid Just as I imagined it, your story goes Another nosebleed, Roses on the pillowcase The fever breaks And you're back on earth again You rehearse In the living room The nursemaid Comes mid-afternoon To say you've practiced Long enough today She takes your bow, it's suppertime But oh, your only appetite Was fixed on the chaconne You'd hoped to play

So soon you're off
To the academy
The honors
And the accolades
First a darling, then a marvel
When we met, I was still a young girl
But you had changed
Already famous
Your name was a contagion
You were vain and hard to take
All the same, I was brazen

How the tides rise

I don't suppose you'd tell the truth
So I won't ask you anymore
Oh the things that we all do
To pass the time between the wars
I don't regret a single day
Heard your chaconne
On every stage
But your love sleeps in a velvet case

So what'd you bring me, Bring me for What'd you bring me, Bring me for

I hear you keep
Your pretty wife alive
On only brie
They say a dozen years ago
She could have passed for me
She doesn't trust you with the baby
Maybe better that way
Safe in your study
Going grey

You're at your best When you're alone Above the fray With your chaconne

Now the bells toll

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