

## Thornley

### "The Drifting Snow"

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The snow drifted down upon long barren hills  
Painting the frozen land an ethereal white  
Among the graves we danced slowly in the night  
As fruitless trees swayed in the burning cold wind  
Like the diamonds hidden along the earth that day  
She was nothing more than a shade, a delicate shadow  
I kissed her scarlet lips as if for the first time  
I drank deep her essence warm and inviting  
I gazed forever into her dark eyes  
And I caressed her beautiful pale face

In the dark stillness she rested in thy loving arms  
Though I wished her to stay I knew the dawn was  
waiting  
For us the sun arrives without welcome

I have seen the glory of the gray dawn  
Awash in the black tears as the snow drifts down  
These winter days of cold are the misery I die upon  
For I have known the lovelorn life, of which I wear  
That broken crown of scorn and mockery  
I have known truth in hate

Love wears thin our pride and bitter is the taste  
Of life and death we dance for our souls to find

For time consumes the hearts of man  
And beckons the call of death's sweet kiss  
The days are soon departed as loved ones long ago

There is no joy in the sadness

I had seen the sad farewell in her black eyes  
Yet I held her closer still under the scarlet moonlight  
I had seen the sad farewell through the gray clouds  
afar  
As they stole away the night and out exquisite sorrow  
In that eternal silent moment I knew the death of  
dreams  
As she fell from thy arms I had seen the end of all hope  
I have lost all

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