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Struck down and cursed

When she, his beloved, stood by her friend

By eyes of glowing coal,

Directing yew and phoenix feather.

He could only watch,

As she, his fortress, fell soundlessly,

Her crimson lion's blood, flowing

Drop by painful drop,

To stain the emerald ground.

The bite of an adder, unstoppable poison,

Stealing her away to darkness.

He ran to his books, comfort, and in them

He won their second chance, salvation.

Ingredients gathered, selected

By the most discriminating eye.

Chopped and sliced, grated and diced

Added to the crucible, cauldron.

He watches his life, now hers,

Through glass veins, creeping

Drop by agonizing drop

To settle in the flask.

When her friend, green eyed

Bursts in, shouting that

He, who aches to hold her,

Has been absent from her side

Wanting to know why, accusing.

He watches, frozen, as her friend

In his depriving rage, lashes out

Upends the glass creature

His hope rests on, falls

Slipping through his loving fingers

On to the table, the floor where

A thousand screams to slivers

And the life giving liquid

Splatters drop by horrified drop,

To puddle on the stones.

A scream in rage, he runs

to her side, ashen pale.

He takes her slender hand in his as,

Honey brown steals down his tunnels

their eyes meet, thoughts shared

hers softly fading out, flutter shut

His name a whisper on her ruby lips

He watches, powerless, as

she, his Eurydice, is torn away and

Drop by darkening drop

The night pools at his feet.