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His temper's lethal at breakfast; I daren't say a word until he's drained the coffeepot. It's almost a relief when he disappears off to work.

Lunch is nearly the same, though he's more vocal, whinging about ham-handed morons. I offer tea and sympathy.

By dinner, grading has convinced him that the Wizarding world is doomed. He mutters Cassandra-like predictions that I counter with Gryffindor optimism, which makes him growl in turn.

And then we retire to our chambers, and he becomes the man I married. And I am delightfully reminded of how it is that he'sny 'Grumble and Thump'.

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This drabble was based on a quote from Busman's Honeymoon by Dorothy Sayers:

"Her—and this was the incalculable factor in the thing—her husband. (A repressive word, that, when you came to think of it, compounded of a grumble and a thump.)"