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From the moonlit brink of dreams  
    I stretch foiled hands to thee,  
O borne down other streams  
    Than eye can think to see!  
O crowned with spirit beams!  
    O veiled spirituality!

My dreams and thoughts abate  
    Their pennons at thy feet.  
O angel born too late  
    For fallen man to meet!  
In what new sensual state  
    Could our twined lives fell sweet?

What new emotion must  
    I dream to think thee mine?  
What purity of lust?  
    O tendrilled as a vine  
Around my caressed trust!  
    O dream-pressed spirit-wine!

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