

The Poem

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Oh! that I were
That folded paper
On which you unfold
Drop by drop, word by word!

Thoughts flow like rivulets
Words flood, curl and eddy
Emotions swamp into abyss
Love sweeps over banks!



You then cherish the treasure Somewhere close to yourself Veiled from prying eyes That cast evil spells!

There's satellite communication everywhere
Alas: There's none as special as ours!
None as glorious
As the valorous poem
That flies between us!

I bury your precious gift

Deep within my core

And see your magnetic eye
In every gentle word.

When I run my finger
Over your honeyed verse
I taste the gush of sweetness
Melt in my veins.

Oh! that I were those lines
That rest in your palm
That cling to your chest
And bring you unto me!

