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## Gordelia's Song

By VINCENT STARRETT

(From "The King in Yellow")

The moon shines whitely; I shall take My silk umbrella, lest the moon Too warmly fall upon the lake And cause my bridal flowers to swoon.

The sparrow's sorrow is in vain, And so does he his bride forget. I wed the long grass and the rain, And seven sailors dripping wet.

And shall not you and shall not I Keep tryst beside this silent stream, Who thought that we should rather die Than wed the peacock's amber dream?

The moon shines whitely; I shall take My silk umbrella, lest the moon Too coldly fall upon the lake And chill my bridal flowers too soon.