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Dupin and Another

By VINCENT STARRETT

"Here is the dusk again; the friendly night!
Unbar the shutters, Edgar, and look down:
See how the shadows stir with knave and clown—
Fugitive nomads from the hours of light,
Each on his private mischief bent. The day
Will look perhaps on figures just as ill—
Some stiff, cold corpse, fantastically still;
Something that lives and screams and runs away.

Mark how the darkness writhes: this stealthy murk,
Damp from its river crossings, blows a breath
Of evil import; and outrageous death
Slinks in the shades where bawds and lovers lurk. . . .
Shall we descend and, if the night permits,
Seck some small problem to perplex our wits?"