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In the Shadows

By LEA BODINE DRAKE

As we went up the narrow stair,
My candle slim and I,
From the crouching shadows came
A little tired sigh.

And there was nothing on the stair
Or in my garret room,
But cobwebs on the rafters,
And corners filled with gloom.

And still and silent was the house,
And dark and still the air. . . .
But where the shadows wavered
In the candle-flare,
Something small, unearthly, sighed
Out of some strange despair.