

3. O the unsure hopes

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Canto

O, O th'un- sure hopes of men!
O wo- men's fruit- less love!

Alto

O the un- sure hopes of men!
O wo- men's fruit- less love!

Lute

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The brit- tle state, the vain con- ten- ti- ons, that un- luck- i-
Un- qui- et state! Too dear af- fec- ti- ons, that de- spite- ful-

The brit- tle state, the vain con- ten- tions that un-
Un- qui- et state! Too dear af- fec- tions, that de-

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ly, oft in midst of the race, oft in midst
ly, e'en in their height of bliss, e'en in their

luck- i- ly, oft in midst of the race, oft
spite- ful- ly, e'en in their height of bliss, e'en

of the race fall ru- in- ate. And in their
height of bliss prove de- so- late! And of- ten

in in midst of the race fall ru- in- ate. And in their
in their height of bliss prove de- so- late! And of- ten

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course long o- ver-whelm- ed of be, and
fall far from all hope of joy, ere

course long o- ver-whelm- ed of be, and
fall far from all hope of joy, ere

a a a a r a a a a a a a a a a a

e r e r a r r a a a r e r r a

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swal- low'd up ere they the port could see.
they have time to dream, to dream on their an- noy.

swal- low'd up ere they, ere they the port could see.
they have time to dream, to dream on their an- noy.

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