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Bouquet for a bride.

Done and over the moonlight dances,
Sobs and whispers of violins,
Vanished now are the frail romances
Crushed in the wheel that fortune spins,
This must be when a Princ comes riding,
Stern of purpose and fair of face,
Ghosts of old loves have gone in hiding
As you turn to a new embrace.

Now you start as have Brides before you, Eager, trusting and starry-eyed, You are certain that he'll adore you, Finding happiness at your side, Darling, Husbands are funny creatures, Prone to roam like a cat at night, But one look at your special features, Tells us all your hunch is right.