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I know you I've passed you
many a time in my lair.
You above all of them met my eyes with a dare.
You think this makes you a figure,
A mystery for me to configure.

I know you, the gleam in your eyes is so insolent.
You come before me with news and requests, petulant.
You come so often I wonder you leave at all.
One little spell would be enough to make you fall.

And I know it's true that I have bigger plans for you.
There will be no battles in your plans.
There will be no kissing, no holding of the hands.
My creature you shall be
a perfect servant for me.

You with your confidence and esteem,
Will be my constant messenger.
Then you will see what it means to answer
Every query, every bequest.

You shall be ever mine.
You shall never lie
And your loyalty will never die.
I know you and this is not a dream, things are seldom what
they seem
But there is no point to scream
You will love me at once the way you did once.

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