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And I became afraid, dear.
I turned from you and smiled into the air.
I held our talk to sophistry,
Bright patter, smart and trivial,
To still the strange song in my heart.
My chatter played arch lady to your casual man;
I forced our harsh antiphony of sham.

Midbreath I turned again to you:
In one clear look
Our spirits fused and quickened
To my song in you, your song in me.