

Sekhet

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Shall it be claws or paws today,
Jehane, your lover-lion play?
Sweetness of torment bring completeness
To love, or torment sharpen sweetness?

Breast against bosom, shall I feel
The lure of velvet or of steel?
Will it be fire or water flies
From the wild opal of your eyes?

Will you express your spirit-stress
By laughter or by holiness?
I care not — either serves our play —
If it be claws or paws today.