Lizard

Mr. Strange

Farewell the temple master's bells His kiosk and his black worm seed Courtship solely of his word With Eden guaranteedFor now Prince Rupert's tears of glass Make saffron sabbath eyelids bleed Scar the sacred tablet of wax On which the lizards feedWake your reason's hollow vote Wear your blizzard season coat Burn a bridge and burn a boat Stake a lizard by the throatGo Polonius or kneel The reapers name their harvest dawn All your tarnished devil's spoons Will rust beneath our cornNow bears Prince Rupert's garden roam Across his rain tree shaded lawn Lizard bones become the clay And there a Swan is bornWake your reasons' hollow vote Wear your blizzard season coat Burn a bridge and burn a boat Stake a lizard by the throatGone soon Piepowder's moss-weed court Round which upholstered Lizards sold Visions to their leaden flock Of rainbows' ends and goldNow tales Prince Rupert's peacock brings Of walls and trumpets thousand fold Prophets chained for burning masks And reels of dreams unrolled

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