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My Lady, you wrote, forgive me for the disobedience
of the turtledove, mockingbird, merle and skylark
I had sent to greet your morning, your face
resplendent the eternal day.

The whimpering sound of the near-by rill tainted my
dawn-prayers to grant my eyes if only a fragment
of your shadow, yet hoping, you will hear the soft air
of lute and *psaltery** weaving in and out between
the alabaster balustrade of your balcony.

This letter I wrote on the skin of *Khawi*,* finer
than parchment of a new-born lamb,
the ink is ultramarine, the colour of the sky
and sea, the mirror of your eyes.



**psaltery*: an ancient musical instrument, similar to a dulcimer

**Khawi*: animal whose skin is of yellow colour