

Heinrich Heine,
The Lorelei

tradukita de L. W. Garnham

I do not know what it signifies,
That I am so sorrowful?
A fable of old Times so terrifies,
Leaves my heart so thoughtful.

The air is cool and it darkens,
And calmly flows the Rhine;
The summit of the mountain he-
arkens
In evening sunshine line.

The most beautiful Maiden ent-
rances
Above wonderfully there,
Her beautiful golden attire glan-
ces,
She combs her golden hair.

With golden comb so lustrous,
And thereby a song sings,
It has a tone so wondrous,
That powerful melody rings.

The shipper in the little ship
It effects with woe sad might;
He does not see the rocky slip,
He only regards dreaded height.

I believe the turbulent waves
Swallow the last shipper and boat;
She with her singing craves
All to visit her magic moat.

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tradukita de Mark Twain

An ancient legend of the Rhine

I cannot divine what it meaneth,
This haunting nameless pain:
A tale of the bygone ages
Keeps brooding through my
brain:

The faint air cools in the glo-
aming,
And peaceful flows the Rhine,
The thirsty summits are drinking
The sunset's flooding wine;

The loveliest maiden is sitting
High-throned in yon blue air,
Her golden jewels are shining,
She combs her golden hair;

She combs with comb that is gol-
den,
And sings a weird refrain
That steepes in a deadly enchant-
ment
The listener's ravished brain:

The doomed in his drifting shal-
lop,
Is tranced with the sad sweet to-
ne,
He sees not the yawing breakers,
He sees but the maid alone:

The pitiless billwos engulf him!-
So perish sailor and bark;
And this, with her baleful sin-
ging,
Is the Lorelei's gruesome work.

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Heinrich Heine,
Lurleia

tradukita de N. N. 01

Ignoro, quid id sibi velit,
Tristissimus cur sim,
Antiqui aevi fabellam
Cur saepe voverim.

Vesperascit et frigescit,
Et Rhenus leniter it,
Cacumen montis lucescit,
Dum Phoebus occidit.

Sedet in summo montis
Virgo pulcherrima,
Auro nitet gemma fron-
tis,
Se pectit auricoma.

Aureolo pectine pectit,
Carmen canens procul,
Mirandum id habet mo-
dum
Nec non virilem simul.

In cymba navitam mille
Angores feri tenent,
Non videt scopulos ille,
Ocli non si sursum vi-
dent.

Opinor undas devorare
Nautam cum navicula,
Effecit solo canendo
Lurleia id dea.

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