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|  | 'They met me in the day of success: and I have    learned by the perfectest report, they have more in |  |
|  | Them than mortal knowledge. When I burned in desire |  |
|  | to question them further, they made themselves air, |  |
|  | Into which they vanished. Whiles I stood rapt in |  |
|  | the wonder of it, came missives from the king, who |  |
|  | all-hailed me 'Thane of Cawdor;' by which title, |  |
|  | before, these weird sisters saluted me, and referred |  |
|  | Shalt be!' This have I thought good to deliver |  |
|  | thee, my dearest partner of greatness, that thou |  |
|  | mightst not lose the dues of rejoicing, by being |  |
|  | Ignorant of what greatness is promised thee. Lay it |  |
|  | To thy heart and farewell.'  (Finished the letter) |  |
|  | Glamis thou art, and Cawdor; and shalt be |  |
|  | What thou art promised: yet do I fear thy nature; |  |
|  | It is [too full o' the milk of human kindness](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_milkkindness.html) |  |
|  | To [catch](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_catchway.html) the nearest way: thou wouldst be great; |  |
|  | The [illness](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_illness.html) should attend it: what thou wouldst [highly](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_highly.html), |  |
|  | That wouldst thou [holily](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_holily.html); wouldst not play false, |  |
|  | And yet wouldst wrongly win: thou'ldst have, great Glamis, |  |
|  | That which cries ['Thus thou must do, if thou have it;](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_beundone.html) |  |
|  | [And that which rather thou dost fear to do](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_beundone.html) |  |
|  | [Than wishest should be undone.'](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_beundone.html) Hie thee hither, |  |
|  | [That I may pour my spirits in thine ear](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_pourspirits.html); |  |
|  | [And chastise with the valour of my tongue](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_chastise.html) |  |
|  | [All that impedes thee](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_chastise.html) from the [golden round](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_goldenround.html), |  |
|  | To have thee crown'd [withal](http://www.shakespeare-online.com/plays/macbeth/macbethglossary/macbeth1_1/macbethglos_withal.html). |  |