

Never give their clothes away
 If you want the dead to haunt you
 Dusk or dark or dawn or day,
~~Bea~~ ~~not~~ ~~has~~ ~~the~~ ~~only~~ ~~glass,~~ ~~the~~ ~~say~~ ~~od~~ ~~bed,~~
~~Fit~~ ~~to~~ ~~wear~~ ~~the~~ ~~dead~~ ~~to~~ ~~shirt~~ ~~and~~ ~~shoes.~~
 Fit the living or fit the dead,
~~Set~~ ~~the~~ ~~table~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~knives,~~ ~~I~~ ~~said~~—
~~The~~ ~~poor~~ ~~pillow~~ ~~and~~ ~~coverlid.~~
 Where would a man who loved his wife
~~Leave~~ ~~the~~ ~~pillow~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~day~~ ~~the~~ ~~life~~ ~~—~~
~~See~~ ~~I~~ ~~know~~ ~~that~~ ~~the~~ ~~first~~ ~~one~~ ~~who~~
 Looks in it will perceive the pale
~~Death~~ ~~the~~ ~~mirror~~ ~~—~~ ~~the~~ ~~why~~ ~~his~~ ~~heart~~ ~~will~~ ~~fail.~~
~~Do~~ ~~what~~ ~~it~~ ~~is~~ ~~that~~ ~~has~~ ~~hid~~ ~~it~~ ~~fall.~~
 What thing better could come to pass
 Than to find my dead in the looking-glass
 Hanging upon the wall?
 —Martha Keller, “Widow”