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*Madness, Thou Chaw of y<sup>e</sup> Brain,  
 What art; That Pleasure givst, and Pain  
 Tyranny of Fancy's Reign:  
 Mechanic Fancy; that can build  
 Vast Labarynth, & Mazes wild,  
 With Rule disjointed, Shapeless Measure,  
 Fild with Horror, filld with Pleasure:  
 Shapes of Horror, that would even  
 Cast Doubt of Mercy upon Heaven.  
 Shapes of Pleasure, that but seen  
 Would split the Shaking Sides of spleen.  
 O Vanity of Age: here see  
 The Stamp of Heaven effac'd by Thee  
 The headstrong Course of youth thus run,  
 What Comfort from this darling son:  
 His rattling Chassis with Terror hear,  
 Behold Death grappling with Despair,  
 See him by Thee to Ruin sold,  
 And curse thy self, & curse thy Gold.*

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