

I Attempt from Love's Sickness to Fly

Zempoalla's air from *The Indian Queen* (soprano)

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I attempt from Love's sickness to fly in vain,
[a:ɪ ə.'tɛmpt fɪʌm lʌvz 'sɪk.nə(ɪ)s tu fla:ɪ ɪn ve:ɪn]¹

Since I am myself my own fever and pain.

No more now, fond heart, with pride no more swell,
Thou canst not raise forces enough to rebel.
I attempt from Love's sickness to fly in vain,
Since I am myself my own fever and pain.

For Love has more power and less mercy than fate,
To make us seek ruin and love those that hate.
I attempt from Love's sickness to fly in vain,
Since I am myself my own fever and pain.

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IPA transcription is available for download.

Thank you!



¹ The IPA transcription is in Mid-Atlantic pronunciation.