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Epilogue?

I speak of a last page,
that tells of a last page
who paged Misses Logos, Ethos and Pathos
paging though albums of their old days.

This young page, unmarked, unasserted in words
to be rewarded for exceptional service
to humanity of any kind
is often overlooked by its masters and mistresses
who have dozens of other more useful, eloquent pages
at their will and command.
This forgotten page is:
too short for any acclaim of reaching human heights
of emotion and truth
cannot be fed any more for fear of overfeeding, malady and death.
This page is so fragile and weak.
Or so they say.

And so, our youthful heroic page
pages the misses
who bestow upon him the most intriguing
yet dangerous
of gifts.

But are they to be called such gifts?
Or are they curses in disguise?
Logos. Ethos. Pathos.
Are they three witches of wrongdoing pride?
Through varied aims, essence, and journeys into the

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very spirit of the human mind
are some of our hero's tools to win back hearts,
could solely these medieval ways poison souls?
Split up our unity into a thousand parts?

There is no way to know
and only time shall tell
when we hover our cursor over the "x"
of *the* last page.

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