

PEACE: Weer's Room

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StoneOx17 — 22 Oct 2002, 15:00

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-- Stone Ox

Safe in their Alabaster Chambers,
Untouched by Morning and Untouched by Noon,
Sleep the meek members of the Resurrection,
Rafters of Satin and Roof of stone.

Emily Dickinson

Michael Andre-Driussi — 22 Oct 2002, 18:46 · follows StoneOx17

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James Wynn — 22 Oct 2002, 19:08 · follows Michael Andre-Driussi

I haven't read Peace but I'll offer that in alchemy, the "egg" is associated with the coffin.

-- Tuppence tossing Crush

-----Original Message-----

From: Michael Andre-Driussi [mailto:mantis at siriusfiction.com] Sent: Tuesday, October 22, 2002 1:47 PM To: urth at urth.net Subject: Re: (urth) PEACE: Weer's Room

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