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With a single touch on the lovely white ivory  
She finds herself beyond reality and submitting to  
instant peace  
Black and white caresses her body  
embraces her life  
and makes complete  
the thoughts that wander wantonly for a home--

She touches the heart of the keyboard  
making it laugh or cry  
Only asking to be recognized by the deaf ears  
glaring in the darkness

A single candle turns white keys to a soft yellow  
asking not for payment except in music which  
might otherwise be neglected

Her hands are tired now, but still she plays,  
plays and listens and waits  
for the music to set her free.