

Loon

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With

shadow wings I pass
o'er Faery Lake—

In dawn's twilight
mist I dance, diving deep and quick
for water fleas and bass,

flying like a living soul thro' the open water,
soaring over the lakeweed—

I am a

feathered Naiad
dissolving into dark light—

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