Killed by Love

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Dramatis Personae:

Abaris

Cyrus

Darieos

Callidice

Scene:

Agartha. Inside the palace of Agartha. The queen was seated around the altar at the palace door with her new born son in her hand. To them enter Cyrus the Priest.

Cyrus:

My queen, let me apologize

For ye shall hate me for what I have to say

Oh lord! Give me strength to go on

And say that the king will be killed by his own son

Callidice:

What fudge are ye uttering, O Priest

No way son mine will murder his own father

For I love my husband with all my heart

And my son shalt love his father the same as I

O Priest, tell me what thou said was a lie

For I cannot live without the king

Thou shalt hast a solution

To free us from this problem.

Cyrus:

Worry not my queen

There is a solution

But thou hast to choose who thou love the most

Thy son or thy father? Who comes in thy mind the first?

Chorus:

Cyrus leaves the palace after that. The queen struggles a lot to make a decision and finally with a heavy heart kills her son by poisoning him. Soon after that Darieos the king returns to palace from the war. While he was in the war, he got the message that he had a son and his name was Abaris. When he returned to the palace he was expecting to see his son but saw a dead body of his son instead and the queen weeping beside him.

Darieos: What am I seeing my love? What happened to our son?

Callidice: Our son was poisoned by thy wife.

Darieos: Halt such absurd sentence. I cannot believe thy words.

Callidice: Mighty priest came to warn us. Thy son will take thy life. I shalt not let that happen. Therefore, I murdered our son.

Darieos: Such betrayal. Thou murdered son mine. I shalt never forgive thee.

Callidice: O my King! I chose the best for thee. I cannot live without thee.

Darieos: But thou shalt not be forgiven! Thou will be hanged.

Chorus: Callidice was hung to death and her body was thrown near the river where animals and birds ripped her skin off and ate her.