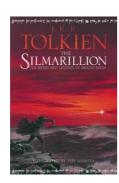
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wandering in the summer in the woods of Neldoreth [Beren] came upon Lthien, daughter of Thingol and Melian, at a time of evening under moonrise, as she danced upon the unfading grass in the glades beside Esgalduin. Then all memory of his pain departed from him, and he fell into an enchantment; for Lthien was the most beautiful of all the Children of Ilvatar. Blue was her raiment as the unclouded heaven, but...

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