Slide soft, you silver floods

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You nymphs of Thetis' train,
You mermaids fair
That on the shores do plane
Your sea-green hair,
As you in trammels knit your locks
Weep ye, and force the craggy rocks
In heavy murmurs through broad shores [to] tell
How that I weeping bid my love farewell.

(1) In the source this note is a crotchet, not a minim.

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