

ΚΕΦΑΛΗ ΙΑ

THE GLOW-WORM

Concerning the Holy Three-in-Naught.

Nuit, Hadit, Ra-Hoor-Khuit, are only to be understood by the Master of the Temple.

They are above The Abyss, and contain all contradiction in themselves.

Below them is a seeming duality of Chaos and Babalon ; these are called Father and Mother, but it is not so. They are called Brother and Sister, but it is not so. They are called Husband and Wife, but it is not so.

The reflection of All is Pan : the Night of Pan is the Annihilation of the All.

Cast down through The Abyss is the Light, the Rosy Cross, the rapture of Union that destroys, that is The Way. The Rosy Cross is the Ambassador of Pan.

How infinite is the distance from This to That !
Yet All is Here and Now. Nor is there any There or Then ; for all that is, what is it but a manifestation, that is, a part, that is, a falsehood, of THAT which is not?

Yet THAT which is not neither is nor is not That which is !

Identity is perfect ; therefore the Law of Identity is but a lie. For there is no subject, and there is no predicate ; nor is there the contradictory of either of these things.

Holy, Holy, Holy are these Truths that I utter, knowing them to be but falsehoods, broken mirrors, troubled waters ; hide me,

O our Lady, in Thy Womb ! for I may not
endure the rapture.

In this utterance of falsehood upon falsehood,
whose contradictories are also false, it seems
as if That which I uttered not were true.

Blessed, unutterably blessed, is this last of the
illusions ; let me play the man, and thrust it
from me ! Amen.