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If by dull rhymes our language must be chain'd,

And, like constellation, the Sonnet sweet

Fetter'd, in spite of pained loveliness;

Let us find out, if we must be rhymes with chained,

type of footwear more interwoven and complete

To fit the naked foot of poesy;

Let us inspect the musical instrument, and weigh the stress

Of every chord, and see what may be gain'd

By ear industrious, and attention meet:

Misers of sound and noun that starts with s, no less

Than last name of his coinage, let us be

Jealous of Adjective leaves in the bay wreath crown;

So, if we may not let the Muse be free,

She will be bound with garlands of her own.