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## Stone Heart (Poem)

Down there that day, Under the leafless tree Sat the lachrymose mother, Panic-seized as the red bloody blood Over flowed from the bruised walls Of the disvirgined virgin.

I heard it was a rape. A rape of a future mother By the heartless boots owner I heard it was dress Superiority.

Meeting me in the midst of thoughts celebrations, Where my bruised mind has been electrocuted To humanity problem – solution, Were the angst and elegiac cries Of both the disvirgined virgin And the devastated poor mother.

The unpaid wind Which scattered the sad news Across the many corners of the Earth Has driven me back to the root.

In the beginning Was the skin war we won. Then our next door murderers came: Our mothers' spirits merged Amadi

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With their ancestral ones. Then our 'thick' superiors came: Our future mothers were battered. Then others: sh-sh-sh! They warned; So we were walloped.

Who can ignore these Except He that feasts in red blood? Except He with a heart of stone? And that's our superiors' property -They have all!

The skin war is over! It's time for a total war For our battered virgin shall be cleansed. May it come so soon the day When man's heinous affairs Shall come to a perfect still; And his stone heart Melted like ice.

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