

# Bal-Sagoth, Six Score And Ten Oblations To A Malefic Avatar

"The following are excerpts from handwritten notes discovered secreted in a hidden alcove in the walls of the temple of the Great Old One."

"Fragmentary entry I:"

I have come into possession of a certain ancient book, a collection of arcane scrawlings reputed to be the work of the Great Old One.

"Terrifying axioms, shadow-haunted lexicon,  
Clandestine cults, ancient spells, cryptic rites, the summoning!  
Lore from time immemorial, acolytes, diabolists,  
Blackened tome of blasphemy, the Chthonic Chronicles!  
Lore derived from ancient tongues, Grimm's Hold Sanitarium,  
Oblations here, six score and ten, this avatar, malevolent!"

"Fragmentary entry II:"

Caught in the maleficent whorls and verticils of this dark tome... but what lies at the heart of it? A vile secret...  
And yet, such enlightenment has not been a prize easily won...I have communed with native shamans and their rituals.

"Stygian gramarye, etched with blasphemy,  
Whorls and verticils, black with baleful spells,  
Vespertine conjurings, doomsayer's prophecy,  
Pellucid lotus-dreams, spawn of the elder fiends,  
Cryptic halls, squamous mass, malevolent diabolist,  
Black desire, nighted woe, shunned and forbidden tome,  
Brooding dark, deepest night, ritual, abhorrent sight,  
Whispering, malignity, hearken to the summoning!  
(This black desire, this nighted woe, this vile shunned and forbidden tome,  
In the brooding darkness of the night, now witness this abhorrent sight,  
The whispering, malignity, now hearken to the summoning!)"

"Fragmentary entry III:"

What titanic demi-gods once strode the boiling surface of the young earth, treading the shattered surface of the world,  
And more terrifying still... The Z'xulth and their villainous agents of depravity even now walk among us,  
But what price these revelations? What dire agents of malignity safeguard such cryptic axioms against the world?  
Wait... they come, they come for me! Is it Hildebrandt, or something far, far worse which stalks me?