## Gavin Castleton, Recall

I wasn't looking for a savior when you first showed up I was just hoping you would calm down once you were all grown up and you were a little bit of terror, taken care of by six convicts in a castle by the park you used to run away until dark, and only started coming back when we stopped chasing after you spend most nights tucked into my legs like a flea bite nuzzling my knees like a furry puzzle piece I match my breathing to yours and let our snoring compete by the time I wake up you're tangled in my feet. if they didn't stink I would think it's kind of sweet the silent partner makes my ground floor complete.

and though I walk through the valley of shadows alone I have a hard time believing you have valleys of your own and that's the sickness of it all-I really love you because you exist only for me, the only one who listens and agrees at all times, the only fine I pay is belly scratching