Abstract: The article recognises the central role of Propertius’ elegy 4.11 in the depiction of pagan afterlife included in the II book of Claudian’s De raptu Proserpinae (vv. 326-60). Propertius’ passage is significant from both thematic and lexical viewpoints.

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