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Again the gardens and the moaning beasts
The grassy circles with the mounted men
And summer loitering by park and river ways
Words etched in stone above the chosen bones
Of men with dreams but no identity.
In summer basements my brothers hold their feasts
And fling a toast to home wherever home might be.
They say that summer now is for remembering
Dimensions, except depth, halos and horns
Gathering dusts and echoes of lost days
That lightly fall by doors they need not pass again.