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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.