

consummation

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earth will have her own way with hunger
green springing up devouring light
roots singing down into darkness
seeking water
rivers hurling themselves to the sea
that, too, is hunger
tides eating up shores
falling and rising
teased by the moon
and the mountains mute in their mystery
repaying the eagle and the forest
everything hungers here
even the sand mingling with wind
scours then savors all into nothingness
remember
it is not their plenty or scarcity that we honor
but desire