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New Light

I awoke with the sun To see your face not far away, Peaceably breathing and still dreaming, Bright night still lingers in you. The breeze off the lake sends a chorus Through the trees and the chimes of our porch. Long tones echo inside and out. Our home, not hours before stood glowless. Dark night here to there wrapped all, Layered in moontide's clean cold light. Glow gone time waned when the first risings Let fly against the walls of honey colored wood, Warming like a fire near damp logs, steaming. Imagining the blue eyes beneath your lids, I followed the lines of blonde hair Falling across your face, ending in disarray. There are some that at moments of reverie Awaken from the dream state in a rush for pencil, Wishing to profess what explodes in their heart. But I wish nothing. Nothing save to never move again. To let the muck and tumble spin on without me, To let the moment linger on and on. To stay locked together and not regret Watching time's flow from a honey wood window And never read another's words again.

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