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Remembrance-

1.) the hasty note came
on the pretty little stationery
she keeps
to accommodate the aesthetic ideal
that pleases her
so very much

and I remembered

2.) without rain
I find there are no dreams
for her—
only words unspoken
and broken thoughts
harbored

3.) Once, when we were restless
and feigning sleep,
we spoke our thoughts unchecked
The result—
as two, we hurried into the chilled night air;
she boasted her chalk
to the asphalt
and poured language so very aged and beautiful
upon that dark and brooding stillness

(I knew, in those moments of uncertain sobriety,
that I could have taken
the ever chance
and risked a happiness less fleeting.
yet

that was not the choice I made)