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*A dead woman's eyes
Hailed me,
Caged in a dumb face
whose bland traits
Hailed me.
I saw clearly
The back of my memory
mutely moving
and aging.*

*A duck-flock neared a minuscule lake's meniscus
close to a child, hunched double laughing*

*I saw the archaic columns, knock-offs
of Monceau Park
A pair of lithe little
aristocrats
flaxen-fleeced
pigeons
fat
like pullets.*

*I saw the park
the patchwork lawn
Where we rented chaises lounges
For four p. each*

*And black Japanese
swans
with wing-tips tinted dragon's blood
among the flowers
of Armenonville*

*A dead woman's eyes
hailed me.*

