Poetry 123

Legacy

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A horse-drawn carriage passes by in another

age-leaves of ash

and birch pressed into the pages of a book

your grandmother will

never read again as she pumps the pedals

of a player piano—

"Come Come Ye Saints" drifting out the windows

of an Arts and Crafts

bungalow—tea roses in the garden drooping

over the day's abyss-