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Thief in the Night of Words

The yawning mind,
ancestor and descendant of the gaping hole,
rubs a film from its eyes
to read the page of vision.

The hour is late and the will,
like Eutychus, is always falling
from its window.

I do not read, that is to say, I
do not read,
but the rocky bones,
the marrow in those bones,
the marrow-blood
keeps a watch
through the night of language
for the visitor, the bright boy
who will appear
with a finger to his lips,
the shining boy, who will suddenly appear.

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