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It is spring,  
and the lapping ocean  
warms the sand  
with a rubbing motion,  
and gardens awaken  
and houses stand  
to feel the thing  
that the sleeping land  
whispers. The activities  
of communities rise,  
and young women see  
in young men's eyes  
the bend that one  
did prophesize.  
The free change opens  
the eyes of the old,  
and looses their greatcoats,  
to find the cold  
refreshing; they gasp,  
and exclaim "So bold  
a gesture, you see,  
we have been told,  
has no excuse."  
And some will say  
"Then turn your heads  
the other way."  
And dying fires  
beckon the day,  
as they look across  
from where they lay  
and discover that someone  
lives outside  
the elipse they formerly  
used to hide  
the few (that sought  
to be allied)  
from public view  
and only twos  
realize that they  
have naught to lose.  
The others pause,  
as they feel the young  
untie the eyelids  
of the tongue

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