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DREAMS

At the Tiber dreams began so easily
Flowing smoothly like the Danube.
Growing with every turn of the Nile.
Resting on the banks of the Peh.

Gaining from all, strength from the Amazon,
Beauty from the Seine and the Rhine,
Visions of boatmen on the Volga
And buried treasure of the Yukon.

Growing bigger than the Mississippi
Sweeter than the Saskatchewan.
More serene than the Thames.
Yet bolder than the Rio Grande.

Then the downfall came with the Ob.
The Euphrates and Tigris burst with sorrow
With the help of the Potomac
At the Marne, the dreams ended so tragically.

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