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UNICORNS

UNICORNS DANCING IN THE SEA FOAM
DANCING, PRANCING, IN THE LIGHT BREEZE,
LEAPING WITH THE WAVES;

UNICORNS, UNICORNS, PLEASE RETURN.
THE WOODS ARE AGING, DYING,

NO LONGER MAGICALLY YOUNG;
THEY'VE SEEN THE SUN BLAZING
AND THE FROST AND THE SNOW,

THEY'VE KNOWN MANY YEARS SINCE YOU HAVE GONE.
THEIR BRANCHES ARE SNARLED AND TANGLED NOW,
AND MANY AN OAK HAS A DECAYING HEART,
AND MANY AN ELM IS PARTLY GONE, ITS BRANCHES DYING.

WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES A SINGLE ANIMAL MAKE?

WHAT DIFFERENCE THEN, WHAT DIFFERENCE NOW?

I CANNOT SAY WHAT POWER,

WHAT VIRTUE SHAPED THE FORGOTTEN THEN;

I ONLY KNOW THAT SOMETHING NOW IS LOST.

IN THE MONTHS OF AUTUMN, THE FEARSOME TIME
BEFORE THE WINTER WINDS AND LEAF LOST LIMBS
COVERED WITH RIME -

COME BACK, COME BACK TO WHERE THE FAUNTS DANCED,
THE DRYPADS THREW THEIR LEAF-GREEN GLANCES,

THE NAIADS RANG IN THEIR FOAMY BROOKS,

THE CENTAURS GALLOPED WITH THUNDERING HOOVES,

COME BACK, WITH YOUR SILVER HOOVES AND SILVER HORNS,

YOUR WIND-CORRED MANE AND YOUR VIRGINAL HEART,

COME BACK, RESHAPE, MAKE NEW THEIR YEARS FORLORN.