A Foreman

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Unanswered

A foreman’s shadow lingered over,

Poor shackled stunts hung beneath

Insubordination exhausted the futile strands of imagination

Yellow walls and bark coloured frames;

Huge bodies lie unassumingly awaiting someone

Or something; breaths escaped, breathing ceased—

In heaving the trunks guaranteeing a ceaseless space

Jogging a lightening load-

Where the sun streams through the filling hollow tree trunks,

Probably the woodpecker’s nest,

Illuminating slimly onto the rough barks-

Staring there you’d wonder,

In caring for the same...

Where does this lie?
Beyond the strangling hustles,
In humming the lost birds sing
Of the pure unfound songs-
Incomplete and insignificant,
Like when born and now when dead.

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