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## Youth-Song

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sweet umbrella of the maple bloom  
that foretells the leaf grow not old and away

you know sun you know wind and rain  
I suppose you know more than man suspects

I too know much  
I know love I know slight hate  
I know desire I know ambition I once knew peace  
and I think that my knowledge will last longer  
than yours

bitter growing leaf i see you now!  
you cannot fool me you are here and with you  
comes maturity old age death  
sweet umbrella of maple bloom do not leave me  
i am so afraid of age of death  
of anything that is not Youth

