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I appeared out of a vacant bluegrayness  
and walked the windswept cement.  
Smoothed, once jagged edges  
crumbling stones beneath my feet.

Sandymount Strand stretched out beyond me  
into its own greyblue bleakness,  
while the water took time-worn particles  
of land out to sea.

Surrounded by their inspiration  
naively observing its weathered consistency,  
the essence of those poets' dreams  
refused its secret to me.

I turned away from distant Dublin Town  
the strand and the sea at my back,  
while the cold, bland wind  
gave way to my retreat.

Anonymous