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paint me again, o' wise oak,
and let your umbrage shed its
leafy cloak upon me
with prismic spectral wash in billows deep and soft

the nymphs with jealous eyes
wish exile me int'r chasms
shedding blood upon my coat
lest our Father gives adoration me moreso than they

paint me again, o' wise oak,
and let your filtered sunlight cast
its shadowy sinews across my resting place.
every gust changing my point of view

though damp and cool may plague
my deciduous disarray
i give worry only to my mind being held
against its will, afloat in the un-catholic mass

paint me again, o' wise oak,
'till the last verdant leaf succumbs to the
wiles of the hourglass
for fear of never falling at all.