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Leafless the hedge, o'ercast the sky and grey,  
Sombre the valley, save where floats a beam  
Of hazy sun; a tree takes fire, a stream  
Shines blue, shines clear, then fades. Look, far away,  
Far down the valley where the sun doth stray,  
Touched by the wizard magic of that gleam,  
A city rises, sudden as a dream—  
White walls, white towers in the dim blue day.

E'en now the streets beneath those shining towers,  
Those far off streets, begin with dusk to fill;  
But pacing homeward in the evening hours,  
Not through those ways we walk in twilight chill,  
Nor find the town that never can be ours,  
The magic town, that gleamed beneath the hill.



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