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Plighted Symbolism

Through the credential nonverbality
 Are theorems of that that is of the not benamed abstraction,
 And where the verbality, thence the symbolism seems may be to willing,
 While the masters of the symbolism
 Know that unwillingness and yet can act them;
 For the locus of what is not benamed
 Bodes mathematical,
 And such constructivism is believed
 In this very alterity.

1993

The Imagination

The infiniteth inbeing of desire expressed objectively,
 For instance, 'the set of all sets which do not include themselves',
 Implies an ineluctable phenomenon
 That precludes mental escape,
 Unless there is admitted the glamorous search
 Of the not at the object,
 But of a living, instead, past the paradoxes implicit in desired (or undesired) objects
 Where truthful objectedness arises, identically,
 Only upon a nonce imagination of the "things ideal."

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