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## A Long Lean Fellow

*By* WITTER BYNNER

A long, lean fellow lives nearby  
Whom I like as well as most,  
But there's a distance in his eye  
As distant as a ghost.

He waves his hand in the morning light,  
I wave mine back to him,  
And then his figure, which was bright,  
Grows dim.

And though I clearly hear repeat  
The sound of his footfall,  
There's only, moving down the street,  
A shadow on a wall.