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**The Pendulum Which Swings Within My Breast**  
(A KERM ODE)

This pendulum which swings within my breast,  
A metronome to count the final beats  
Until the Maestro's wand does come to rest  
To end this sacred Symphony,  
Progresses on from tick to tock  
In perfect rhythm through a hundred staves,  
As Heavenly melodies unlock  
The wonders that await beyond the grave.

Or have I somewhere misplaced my sense of pitch?  
No, there must be a beginning and end  
From which to frame the Divine melody...  
And so I close my ears and I pretend  
To hear the tocks where there's only ticks,  
And the genius within the cacophony.

*Timothy Dwelle, RC '96*