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# Horses

by Deborah S. Appleton

I keep horses in my stalls at night,  
And you, what's that burning, ever so dimly,  
Casting shadows on the trim front lawn?  
Shadows that I trip upon, when, at dark,  
Quietly I creep to your windows,  
And press my wet nose against the icy panes;  
Peering at the cold light and wondering;  
Sitting my shadow down on the grass to wait.  
He isn't coming back you know.  
They have changed his silhouette  
Into a shadow too.  
But he is waiting.  
Waiting for you.  
The horses are getting restless.  
It is almost morning.

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