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A Traveler at Night

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When the city buries its head in the pillows
With the sigh of relief aloof from any anxiety,
When the sun hides itself behind the buildings
I feel within me a traveler, restless to set out.

Traversing the alleys narrowest and broadest
Behind many houses of fighting spouses.
With the pair of my feet, I head in the ways
With thoughts: revolting, resolving, restoring.

Realising within me a silent night at this midnight, Flickering street bulbs and the barking stray dogs -Push me forward deeper and deeper in those alleys, Yet, fostering the fear of finding a blind dead alley.

Hearing the sounds leaking from the water pipes

Creaking boots are unable to beat the crickets in hide

I find no way to go left and right and to straight.

So, decide to read again the rhetorics of the same alleys.

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