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Sad lot of all on earth

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 Sad and lone!
We go to death from birth
Cheerless in laugh or groan;
And the greatest of us that here must sigh
Is but a meteor hurled on high
 From the unknown to the unknown.

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