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Thou dost say that too soon we grow old,
That all pleasure of earth is but air;
Ay, but tell me, oh moralist cold,
Besides pleasure what pleasure is there?

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