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Farewells, departures, goings — these are most sad:
They are endings, dissolutions; they drive sentiment mad.
Even the fall of priests, of tyrants, of slaves and of kings
Has the bitterness and the sadness of the finishing of things.

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