

Geometers Note

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The Colossus of Constantine, (Palazzo dei Conservatori, Musei Capitolini, Rome), 312–315 C.E., photo: Steven Zucker

Geometers note in points
Constellations of flexing joints.
But marble arms ease with age
And other fingers turn the page.

Time goes with Orion in motion
And oiled verses float to the peaks.
Sculptors abandon a notion
to linger in the beds of creeks.

Constantine's head is heavy now,
Weighing an age's wonder,

Lying listless in thunder,
While ghosts span figures across his brow.

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