A Beginning Not to Be Missed

by John Grey

Clouds clear after death to show new life from a long time spent dying, in the soil, in bird echo, even in stones washed by bedside rain, as leaves curl like fresh palms, press their liquid into the trunk's scarred face, grass replenishes the hearse's tire-tracks, the sun hesitates, won't set until light has a chance to work the windows, the open doors – for day has a way of explaining itself... there has been enough nightfall.