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## Cannulae

Agitated again, adolescent.

The ocean turned in a gorgeous knot.

Lymph recited into harbors of love:

Urchin beds, an octopus' shell hole.

Ships interrogating the bay, pounding  
of receptive vessels. The passengers

of youth. Or was it simpler than that:  
a teen-age promise of sex taken back  
beneath the black dripping lips of the cove?

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