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## SUNDAY NIGHT

By Louis Untermeyer

**T**OSSING throughout this tense and nervous night  
Sleepless I drowse. My soul, for lack of rest,  
Sinks like a bird that, after flight on flight,  
Misses the shelter of its well loved nest.  
So would I gain your side and seek, my love,  
The comfortable heaven of your breast.

Once more to lie beside the window seat  
And see, far off, the ribboned river lights,  
The yellow gas lamps in the dusky street;  
And, pressing close from proud and alien heights,  
The noble skies and the inviolate stars  
Surround and bless us these autumnal nights.

No words—the silence and your breathless name  
Are all that's in the world; and faint and fair  
The distant church bells solemnly proclaim  
To all the meek and Sabbath-scented air . . .  
I take you in my arms—and I awake—  
Groping, with restless anger, for a prayer.