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The Gardens of Yin

By H. P. LOVECRAFT

Beyond the wall, whose ancient masonry
Reached almost to the sky in moss-thick towers,
There would be terraced gardens rich with flowers,
And flutter of bird and butterfly and bee.
There would be walks, and bridges arching over
Warm lotus-pools reflecting temple eaves,
And cherry trees with delicate boughs and leaves
Against a pink sky where the herons hover.

All would be there, for had not old dreams flung
Open the gate to that stone-lanterned maze
Where drowsy streams spin out their winding ways,
Trailed by green vines from bending branches hung?
I hurried, but when the wall rose, grim and great,
I found there was no longer any gate.