
A SELF-CONSCIOUS GESTURE

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I met him at a party
a slender well dressed man
not quite handsome
yet he had a certain
quality - a certain air of
sadness I could not resist

I introduced myself
his response was curt
unsmiling - a self-conscious
gesture reminded me of
someone I once knew

I began to tell him about
the Ragman who used
to trudge up our back lane and
about the Ragman's son

I stooped to fix my shoe strap
when I straightened up
he was gone

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