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**Plighted Symbolism**

Through the credential nonverbality
Are theorems of that that is of the not benamed abstraction,
And where the verbality, thence the symbolism seems may be to willing,
While the masters of the symbolism
Know that unwillingness and yet can act them;
For the locus of what is not benamed
Bodes mathematical,
And such constructivism is believed
In this very alterity.

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**The Imagination**

The infiniteth inbeing of desire expressed objectively,
For instance, ‘the set of all sets which do not include themselves’,
Implies an ineluctable phenomenon
That precludes mental escape,
Unless there is admitted the glamourous search
Of the not at the object,
But of a living, instead, past the paradoxes implicit in desired (or undesired) objects
Where truthful objectedness arises, identically,
Only upon a nonce imagination of the “things ideal.”

1993