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# PERAMBULATION

in the city of frances  
saint of ecology

at the hardwood  
smokehouse and barbe

cue, we talk beating  
the bounds. suicides

of a fifth year  
doctoral candidate,

college dormmate  
a found ophelia

under the bridge,  
eighth grader

heading into the spring.  
all green

boughs. birch  
or willow. showy

and peeling, brilliant  
leaves. mark

the parish. mark  
the green boys. mark

the words: to know the beyond  
is pain. to witness

and survive as long  
is the possibility.