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We are very impatient  
of being on the way to something new

And yet it is the law of all progress  
that is made  
by passing through the stages of instability,  
And that may take a very long time.

Our ideas mature gradually.  
Let them grow--  
Let them shape themselves  
without undue haste.  
Don't try to force them on  
as though you could be today  
What time will make you tomorrow

Only God could say  
what this new spirit  
gradually forming within you will be.  
Give Him the benefit of believing  
that His hand is leading you surely  
through the obscurity of "Becoming,"  
and accept for love of Him  
the anxiety of feeling yourself  
in suspense and incomplete

Know that your activity has to be far-reaching,  
it must emanate from a heart that has suffered.  
We must offer our existence to God,  
Who makes use--  
better than we could ever anticipate--  
of the Struggle in which we are enveloped

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