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The Northern Lights are Fading

Remind me of the colors of the Northern Lights  
Refresh the view  
Repaint the image

*Green and pulsating like a heartbeat you tell me*

But this is your memory, not mine

We had gone out  
heeding the call:  
*go out into that good night*

The lights begin in the horizon  
beaming out

Sometimes purple yellow  
the memory of a bruise

Sometimes green  
emerald growing paler

Sometimes orange  
pink like the afterglow of thunder

Memory is a painter

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