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South Carolina has.
My grandfather stands
before the wysteria
in his dark suit.
He looks almost

Hands held up in the dark
against all past, all promise.
Canned pears in a pantry glowing
the quiet desperation with which
they were canned; a wink and a century
gone by, before.

The smell of darker hands, of soap
-nursemaid humming, white tile
glistening;
swing low sweet chariot
coming