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Shaking the rim . . .

Jorge Habib

As I cruise through the obscure valley
Of the unbeaten,
I enter the court,
I observe what expects me,
What awaits me,
What desires to eliminate me.
I have no fear.
I too,
Want a comeback.
To comeback against
That starvation of dominance
Felt in the air
And
Released in the court

There is a hunger,
Of leather crushing iron
Surrounding my head.
My feelings are of fusion.
The melting of composite
With a powerful strike
That rattles the rim
Burns the net
And trembles the ground.

I win the game.
I slide back through that path
That
Which I came through...
The smile
Stamped in my face
And the rim
Still shaking.