The River of the Parched Spirit

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patriotism
said Johnson
is the last refuge
of a scoundrel
               folly
            said Blake
            is the cloak
            of knavery
                           religion
                        said Marx
                        is the sigh
                        of the oppressed
                                           anxiety
                                        said Kierkegaard
                                        is the dizziness
                                        of freedom
                                                            music
                                                          said Shaw
                                                          is the
brandy
                                                          of the
damned
                                                                 the
river
                                                              of the
parched spirit
                                                              waters
the desert
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