

The Merry Go Round

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Merry Go Rounds

are always the same

the swan, the horse,
the cat, the dragon

swing round time and
time again to the sound

of wailing, strident music
to be followed again by

the swan, the horse,
the cat, the dragon

the whole night through.
The figure of my lovers

the swan, the horse,
the cat, the dragon

revolve in just the same manner,
no matter whether they were

women I had already met
or never were, they were

all alike. I felt that love could
not be paid for or else could
never be paid for enough.

