

Colored School

Close to the river's union seen
Out the gap, an 1880 graveyard fence
Leans against a cabin
On the hill where the Tiber bends. Voices
Release from muted mouths. Tears fill
Eyes of former slaves. The Law
Designates *Colored*
School
Charmed dreams
Hopes watered for 73 years.
One room overgrown
Of what is to be
Learned.

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