Praise for Colewort (green leafy plant of the species Brassica)

Hallowed the scent of pig's feet Lining street corners mowed with empty-bellied hounds forestalling fate of roadkill

Croon to wet basements

poverty's stench where clothes hang

evading theft and downpour

Glade tames the damp and vermin

Revere relief of anxiety
the fragrance of peace
Hallelujah!
Holy are the Collard greens

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