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## Colonial Commode

they arrived on the shores of the nation that defecates  
in open  
but the imperial produce  
was carried on the tubs  
by brown, dwarfed, deformed multitudes  
with immune skins  
and numb noses  
colonial commode  
was the original throne  
mystifying the fragile familiarity  
of the reliever  
the ruler

power is the inability  
to defecate without assistance