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## Photoless

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A picture may be worth a thousand words  
but what value are words?

Can pixel or paint  
blow glacier winds  
through the parka weighing on your shoulders,  
The ceaseless shiver, rattling vertebrae with cold,  
fur collar scratching numb skin,  
as the rush of victory rockets adrenaline  
through your veins -  
alive as the dogs pulling the sled  
across the icy glacier mountain,  
mid July.

You may see, but you will not feel  
the clenched jaws of Roman Rule,  
it's teeth still sunk  
into the beating heart of the city,  
Glistening enamel temples to forgotten gods,  
molars of cathedrals, marble white  
and silent.  
The bones of a city,  
aged so each lifetime a gnat  
atop the lock-jawed fossil.