

Monterey
GREEN TENT IN SPRING MONSTER, CALIFORNIA

SUMMER BLOCK

Beneath the shifting swimming pool light,
breath blossoms on your lips and expires,
empty, wet on the walls.
This hesitant time of year hangs over our heads.
Outside a bird serenades this chill bubble,
serenades the same morning.

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