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He is sweeping the unfinished portions of the house, formal dining room table set for a dinner of eight, sideboard laden with platters, pitchers, serving bowls and plates, matching goblets, tarnished silverware, candelabra stuffed with long white tallows, flickering in summer breeze, only the framing bones for drywall intact, roofing stopped in mid-roll between plywood and shingles, insides exposed; dead leaves, pine needles and cones, all the accumulated dead-fall in moonlight, corn whiskeys in bonded bourbon bottles, midnight oils for burning.