

Queen of the Night *Selenicereus grandiflorus*

remembering the time of words
buttercups red clover purple vetch
hawkweed still burning daisies pied
eyebright and fragrant bedstraw's stars

these poems full of flowers
grassy banks the nightingale ajug
the clocktower striking out the hours
Reinagle's celebrated magician of the night



The Night-Blowing Cereus...
Night-blooming Cereus or Queen of the Night by
Reinagle from Thornton's *Temple of Flora* 1799

see Elizabeth Bishop *North Haven In memoriam*
Robert Lowell. *New Poems* 1979