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I planted those seeds bitterly. What good could  
come of them? Though the moon was new,  
though the rain began before I was done,  
I scattered them hurriedly and without real hope.

For hadn't last year's winter garden been well in  
by then? A good two weeks earlier, yet nothing much  
had flourished—a few small leaves from the hardiest  
seeds. The very minimum, apparently.