宿取りて淋しき宵や柿を喰ふ

子規

yado torite sabishiki yoi ya kaki o kū

having taken a room I eat a persimmon a lonely evening

Season word: persimmon (柿 kaki), autumn Composed by Masaoka Shiki in 1899, at age 32. Born in Matsuyama, Shiki is credited with making haiku a respected literary form.

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