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He re-enters Cape Town on the N2. He has been away less than three months, yet in that time the shanty settlements have crossed the highway and spread east of the airport. The stream of cars has to slow down while a child with a stick herds a stray cow off the road. Inexorably, he thinks, the country is coming to the city. Soon there will be cattle again on Rondebosch Common; soon history will have come full circle. (J.M. Coetzee, Disgrace)

If you move, the support changes but your obligations remain the same.
(Interview No. 107, Mr. Jameson)

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