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We can’t survive at the bottom of the ocean in anything artificial. There, the world subdues the world—liquid steam in the coldest places—smoke stacks in a deluge—red lava where there is no light. So it is, crushed under continental love. I melt and boil into your dark habitat. This is how you thrive in such a world as this.