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Half moon

One day
I catch the waxing
moon in the mid-winter's
early evening dark. The clear
great circle that is the day-night
terminator of the moon is edge-on:
a vertical straight line bordering the
half-disk of the lit moon which hangs
right. Conjures up other moons, other
times, full, gibbous or crescent, waxing
in the evening with horns pointing east
or perhaps, in the small hours, waning
with horns pointing west. Seen from
windows, from pavements, beaches,
cliff-tops, hill-tops, or paths along
the edges of fields. Bright, dim,
in and out of clouds, over
or between buildings
or trees.