There is often a passage in even the most thoroughly interpreted dream which has to be left obscure; this is because we become aware during the work of interpretation that at that point there is a tangle of dream-thoughts which cannot be unraveled and which moreover adds nothing to our knowledge of the content of the dream. This is the dream's navel, the spot where it reaches down into the unknown.  

33. The "preconscious" corresponds to a pre-Freudian, merely privative determination of the unconscious. Freud distinguishes his new conception of the "unconscious" from the traditional privative conception:

It is not without intention that I speak of "our" unconscious. For what I thus describe is not the same as the unconscious of the philosophers or even the unconscious of Lipps. By them the term is used merely to indicate a contrast with the conscious ... The new discovery that we have been taught by the analysis of psychopathological structures and of the first member of that class—the dream—lies in the fact that the unconscious (that is, the psychical) is found as a function of two separate systems, and that this is the case in normal as well as in pathological life. Thus there are two kinds of unconscious, which have not yet been distinguished by psychologists. Both of them are unconscious in the sense used by psychology; but in our sense one of them, which we term the Uns., is also inadmissible to consciousness, while we term the other the Pros. because its excitations ... are able to reach consciousness. (Interpretation of Dreams, 652)