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Whimper

(this is the way the world ends.
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stiff. rigid, unyielding,
pen to paper,
like humid air
like legs tangling in a duvet
a yearning possesses me

smoke stretches through
a whimper, cracked from negligence
room's corners grow smiles
for two weeks i yielded
showers,
cried tears of spring
sacrificial soils
reach for love i could never receive

tuning fork strikes A₄
settled air sings
beams come in through open blinds,
this, is the way the world ends