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THE SALE

I sold my father  
back  
his right arm  
that I had  
been to him.  
Now we can  
shake hands  
without insulting  
each other.  
Rain all day  
the day  
he came  
to get it.  
Out when he  
arrived, and  
came back late  
after he'd left.  
Just  
the two cents  
on the counter  
with tobacco  
particles  
and lint.  
Straight from  
his pocket,  
and hard won.