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And since, I've unlearned
Many dull Sundays

Of being possessed: cinematic seat shift
And the supplemental dead-leg
Pew hours

Emily Dickinson's head rises
Off mine, and I wonder
If I read the apples

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Downward sun, the orchard fuming
Cider, and the apples midnight
Red, sky-plump as manzana skin
Lining the undulate hills

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The apples and the night

Or perhaps I was sleeping
When I nearly broke

Finding the night daily
And I, needing to break
By words

As a boy I was terrified