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I don't know what to do with all this beauty,  
cold streams and the green flatness of lakes,  
I've been poured full.

When a trout rises it pushes  
a trout's worth of lake water,  
wetting my side and belly.

When all the trout are rising and thrusting  
their bodies and it begins to rain,  
and all the trout are rising and gliding shapes  
beneath the rain,  
and the lake is taking all that water,  
I overflow, wend past trees  
and over stones,  
a cold stream myself.