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WHERE YOUR VICTORY

Figure falling up
in a skyward flail,
the wind turns stone
for hours around you—
head never finding news
of itself, arms
drawing down into legs,
chalk-soft teeth
clacking on air, hair
a subtle tangle of gases
dissipating into anvils
and altars of cloud
until, like the blue
undersong of a magnet,
you wake to a room
in which flowers are dying.