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## CAGE

The cage fills completely,  
the charcoal goat passes through its needle,  
through its window bars, pipe steam,  
hill of black soot.

And in the cricket box  
there are fifty-four dowel pins that sound  
like the tubes of a wooden xylophone  
when I strike them with  
my finger.