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HEN AND CHICK

The huge black hen
almost covers the chick completely.

She brings his soul to her imaginary rooms
so it won't become lost.

At first he's hungry,
entering the cage of her Chinese silk
and she warms him with her mouth,
iron folds, her mountain
flesh. And when it becomes
hard to bear
he settles into the emptiness.