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let's call me bitter:
cacao and a closure
of my baby teeth all in a row

the back of my dress hinged on my neck
because i can't take my skin off yet
despite handfuls of sandstorms

and the nights i've cussed out sleep
after turning my eyelids inside out
saying *i don't need it*

let's call me starving
tell me i'm rotten,
orange peel strings, the acid sitting on still

blades in a garbage disposal.
i'm a granulated cirrus made up
of spit up seeds

but i was meant to molt
not be covered in wasps,
my corneas each an apple.

so let's call me honest instead:
losing you is standing in the backyard
losing you is standing in the backyard and hearing a plane overhead

and realizing i can't make that much noise
no matter how hungry i am
having to say *i don't need it*

it ends this way: choked up like a fork jammed in a wall socket