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Planes

it's normal to feel like you're falling all the time.

An indifferent sun holds all this up.

A threadbare sky, ruched that day, folded, ululating, further, closer.

A dandelion goes to seed, silently proving a sphere's superior to a circle.

When the last fact cannot be sustained this will no longer be a planet.

Lips purse on a word, hold it in, hoping to make one more eclipse.

The upper lid rests on the lower lid to predict the lips.

Some are devoted to precision, others draw memorably poor service.

The sky steps away from science. Its inventions are unattributed: toplessness among them.

Pitches leave it unswayed. Another round for a cloud that blocked the moon.

Wind shear, modesty retains a skyward gaze.

Incident reports

Take a spruce from tideland, choose it for its strength and flexibility. A sound board. Susurrus. Leaves on trails.

The sky didn't invent pianos. Doesn't direct light towards a tree to be harvested.

The sky takes no part in felling trees. Dismantling a coincidence, a deciphered movement. Decisive winds.

Fifteen car pile-up, unlike shirts, none atop another, just a couple of feet too close. Fifteen car accordions. Some days misnomers make no friends.

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