Displacement of the Black Clock

Claws of morning Rive the curtains. The white walls blare In the sunburst.

But the lean hands Of the black clock Are motionless

And the lean hands Of the black clock Dominate the room.

A stick of wind Begins to prod And stir the room. The curtains thrust.

The yellow heads Tumble their wit From the red chairs.

Shadows of heads Bend to the clock, Nodding, distorted.

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