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I watch

his Mama

fling

a lone

golden

lent-lily

into the swollen gorge.

eastern meadowlark, thirty-ninth mile of morning

i tire of the pounding. the fogged windows, incessant static of sleeves and stations,

the hum hum hum the rusted engine of a thing and of me. to the left, i notice

dappled auburn underbellies among dirt clods & dry grasses, gaping: inserting beaks into soil,

sweet lazy whistles from splintering wood beams, gentle hymns for sunup

pull over. i rest a moment after cracking the door, watch the grassland fledglings learn to nestle in dips & hollows of the wintered stubble

field. when engine revs they flit & swoop, chaos shrouded in smog

while i softly tap pinkies against the wheel