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I can understand that sitting would be more difficult, and the sleek verticality undone, but imagine the wag of happy anticipation, the shimmy of pleasure, ease of balance across a log above a gorge, the prehensile joy of flying from tree to tree. Vestigial bone, I know you only when I fall, the runt of memory shocked, the wild days of prehistoric thrill and exhilaration in my shrunken end.

