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Sullivan: This Irish Summer

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The smell of peat lounges among the hills, settles

in your messy hair, sticks to my fingers. There are

nights when the moon and sun sit together

above the Atlantic. Your tongue spread

with mint and hash. Cottage window open

to Fisher Street. Garden of books on the bed

where you undress me. We push until the swamp

of morning comes. Hips, two beggars of bone.