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I saw a woman surface from the stone saw the stone surface from the woman saw its earth fury its sand flight its nostalgic wind spilling. I saw the distance between the two century chasm twisted grimace in the arid blow of edges. I saw the suffering the cyclical of a world sprouted from the earth. Still the stone sprouting from a woman knows how to defeat the masses of time that sadden it knows how to sand down the faith of water worked by crevice. For the stone to bleed the woman must first bleed for the woman to bleed she must first eat from the earth its most imperfect particle and so give birth to damp men rising from her dust.