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I READ THE POEM
IT WASN'T BAD

lying on the page
it had an inky smile
but when I picked it up
to put it in my voice
it had the sound of bagpipes
left three weeks in the rain
so I wrapped it up
in a red plaid envelope
stitching the wool down tight
and sent it to you
by the 5:00 mail
with a label that read
To The Poet-Mechanic
you're a musician
you'll know what to do

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