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## Gold-Painted Tassel // Emily Blevins

I wait,  
Angry and silent,  
To embark.

Force  
Both behind and against,  
Inconsistent.

Don't sound so noble.  
You wasted  
Away, knowing this  
And yet, here

It comes, they come  
Dancing in the vineyard  
With lacquered faces.

I lack, evading.  
Fattening with serotonin—  
The glass clock.

To exist outside,  
Free from chiseled order and tradition,  
what a dream.