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Ling: Proposal

PROPOSAL

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I'd swap my legs for wings
if they were offered. If
a dragonfly whispered
the proposal and circled
my head, I'd nod
like an eager auction buyer
and we'd seal the deal.

I'd wander above the sea
with onion-skin arms
teasing cattails, rummaging
the highest fruits.

I'd taste the air in my tiny body
just long enough to yearn for feet
to feel the grass and the sand
on toes I'd given up.