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Predation

We have become ravening beasts
Perpetually engaged in frenzied feeding
Sinking our "I" teeth
Into the jugular of "us"
Ripping the flesh of communal life
To feed greedy metaphors of self.

Blood lust high, nostrils flaring
we hunt down
the striped, pied, counter, lame.
Slavering jaws
devour newborn or ancient woes
letting fall choice slivers
to shrivel in the scorching sun
of public malice
and like hurricane ham
to hang deformed--
sad host for defecating flies.

And satiety never comes.
The common prey exhausted
We turn to intra-species predation.