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A morning walk on the beach

1.
A hand of cloud descends from the sky
Pulls my body’s spirits
To the waves.

2.
Waves licking
Like a dog wagging
In the sand.

3.
Wagging a wet tail
Erasing a golden
Castle.

4.
Dawn’s gold scatters
Radiance on the forehead
Of the cliff.

5.
The cliff’s forehead wrinkles
Casting a shadow
On sea and man.

6.
Sea and man and fluttering soul
Tremble
On the shore.
My sister’s joy expires

My sister’s joy expires
Into the suffering of her illness
For a moment her laughter rolls
Like raindrops on the Catha Edulis bush
That my father planted
And for a moment her laughter is gathered in
Under the quilt. Her pain

Silently chokes her. It shakes her
Pale body
Sadness is wrapped around the sun
And my face is painted by clouds
Due to my prayer that failed to heal
Her corroding body.

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