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a sack of loose bones  
burden of a body  
made unfamiliar  
who can pipe  
this sagging flesh  
into song  
who can stir  
old swollen ankles  
into dance  
I say  
try piper  
wheeze old wind  
I am taken  
by strange pains  
but I will answer  
with my cry

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