## **Pedro the Lion**

engine severs lower legs feel my bruised heart beating spinal cord remains intact still sending and receiving laying back on shoulder blades cargo rushing past missing limbs beneath the cars twitching on the tracks click clack now handicapped north am transcontinental i remember as i bleed certain tales of bravery a man who's legs were trapped beneath a fallen evergreen tree he decided he would chop them off above the knee to sacrifice his shins and feet to set his torso free the luxury of having been spared the hard part you'd think would be enough for me to pull this off but i'm left to bleed to death now all the man i've ever been north am transcontinental