

Learning To Be Lost

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I am satisfied sleeping peacefully
An iron ghost with eyes closed
I am a plagiarized auto-biography, a wreckage
A shipwreck in sheep's clothes

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Don't be gentle, never gentle
Be mindful of me, I will sink at any cost
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I have abandoned hope
To the flurry of a taciturn turncoat mercenary, maelstrom
It is not safe to float
I will anchor in the aftermath of no one
Of no one

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You can tell by my panic-less face I am accustomed to this

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