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A Resolution

J.T. Crocenzi, Editor (English 2025)

I will not let
 the feeling go,
 a tether tied
 between two worlds,
 one of longing
 and one of gain.
 I've turned
 the feeling
 inside out,
 shook it up and down –
 tried to find the parts.
 But a feeling is
 a hollow thing,
 a stage for an
 aimless play.
 The flower does
 not know the bee,
 and yet were
 made to meet.
 A feeling is the wish
 before reality.

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Jolie Lloyd (English 2025)

As she weaves—still unweaves—
 they wait with bated breath
Has she reached the end—resigned?
Shall we seek justice—yet?

But these four years, they failed to note
 each time she lifts the wool—
 a feigned sob, a furtive smile,
 a laugh—*Ah! Trusting Fools!*