



THE VIBRATIONS OF WIND AND WINGS

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In the buzzing blue box
strapped to my back,
there's our last honeybees.

If you need a queen, I have that,
if you need a queen to kill that queen,
I have that too.

I have in my jacket
out-of-print trail maps
outlining every overgrown egress.

I can improvise nutrition
from a scrapped comb
and white pine bark;

with patience from a whipped line,
the settled past's hooked mouth
tugs toward the surface.

I hold memories of you in the antigens.
I carry your hairbrush to better
understand your thoughts.

The stings don't slow me down:
I am thickened. This pride
that once distanced you

packs up light as twine.

