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Little Edges

I am walking.

The wind licking over my skin,

And I realise that

In searching to define the edges

and the spaces in between

That I, also, am an edge.

A space and point of change;

at which me meets world, and world meets me.

And my edges are not so coarse and harsh and horrible,

as I have perceived them to be.

But instead, behind a smokescreen confidence,

They are soft and vulnerable and uncomfortably fleshy.

Curling at the edges, as wood in a fire.

How did I not see this before?

How long until I see something else?

If I cannot trust my eyes, I must note my other senses,

When being wrung out – by disordered mind and tired body.

So, I'll move a little slower.

Breathe a little deeper.

Listen a little longer.

Every act of existence

An act of defiance.