Soldered By Love

even as you saw it churning towards you even as you had once known it so well and vowed never to forget

even as it returned just as you had known it would (as you must have known it would) unaltered by the sweep and fusings of time unchanged, unaffected

even as you watched it approach

still, until it flashed and broke above you and fell upon you and struck you with the full force of its entire weight

until it lashed and tore at your eyelids prying them open so that you might see again

still you could not really remember (could you?) you couldn't recall

not until it was hard upon you not until it was too late

what it was and always is

to wrench apart and unjoin that which has been so carefully soldered by love