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Homesick

I live on a screw's sharp word-awl
I stand on the hard-up painful center of a sentence-edge
I'm hopelessly squeezed in the pliers' poem-howl

From beginning to middle to end
the homesick sunset is stuck in rhymes of fatigue and shame
my thoughts roam toward the future