

Pleasure in Pain

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Sitting in the grass in the open countryside
In the dusk of an August summer night
The sweet smell of daisies finds its way
While a hint of peach lingers on my tongue
It's hard to describe what I feel when
I hear my bones crack
I see the deformity in my arm
Adrenaline rushing through my veins
Making me oblivious to the world around
To the knot of anxiety in my mind
To my numbing days of daily distress
This moment this fracture's all that counts
As it soothes me from my withering soul
That's how I find
Pleasure in pain

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