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How long can two not-strangers
Talk without saying anything
Your tapioca soaked voice
Fat and sweet in my ear
Hanging on to the decorated nothing
Spilling from your mouth like frothed milk
And sure
I ladle out my share of squared away nonsense
To chatter back to you
At the speed of light
Or so I imagine
And to the curly haired barista behind the bar
We look like two happy idiots
With a secret language of made-ups and insiders
Sophisticated harpies of endless banter
And pointless spells of laugh shouting
Toasts to comedians
But we're drowning in air so thick it gets
Choked on the way down
Swimming through anecdotes and one-liners
About forget-me-nots
and grandma's one latch shoe
Or the man who- never mind
If we keep our oxygen filled with words
We can swallow a little easier
Because nothing digests better than anything.

