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Back Home

Back home among
dirty cars and white
grass, we watch our
breath join gray clouds,
warmth something earned
between cold treks
to cars and doors
and stores crowded
with muffled people
looking for something
to fill their mouths,
clog their arteries,
and explain why
vacation is somewhere
we escape to come
home to all this
frozen mystery.

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