

Eastertide

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*for Andrew Mead*

I am watching a moose ripple out of his antlers.

I am watching Tollund Man, arm-in-arm  
with Judy Garland. I am trying to believe

implausible things: that we too will abdicate,  
spurn bone crowns, and turn tender;  
that we too—raised, wide-eyed—will skip

along gold roads. I am trying to trust  
that oldest rebuke, *all things made new*,  
beyond entropy. Above our urge to preserve.