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BREAKDAY'S WESTERN SHORE

Granddaughter wraps a towel
 about her shoulders
 shelter cloud adopts a glow
 cloudy day

About her shoulders,
 strand of shelling sand
 cloudy day
 walk above the water line

Strand of shelling sand
 ripple christen sandpiper prints
 walk above the water line
 on breakday's western shore

Ripple christen sandpiper prints
 shelter cloud adopts a glow
 on breakday's western shore
 granddaughter wraps a towel.

ATTEND HER THEN

Treason
 is to bed the queen

And not acknowledge
 her right to choose.
 When you are chosen,
 do not refuse

But say,
 with a necklace of stars,
 here I am.

On night
 upon the waters
 she will throw you
 a garment of silk

Attend her then.