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All night we have slept together, my face
next to yours, and tonight, no doubt,
we will do the same. In such an intimate
relationship, perhaps it is my place
to say “I find you tedious,” my sweet
taskmaster. Your expression is constant
regardless of the response you elicit—
each time I wake you stare with a square
glare that rebukes me for every waste
and procrastination in minute detail.
Oh child of Cronus, little tattoo blue,
you are more luminous than a hummingbird,
and chime more reliably than a dove
as faithfully you nest ever-watchful
on my bed, my own tick-tock,
my horologe, my folding travel-alarm.



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