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The Apartment

the last bits
of light

turned off,
the apartment

plunges into
darkness

and outside
the earth

gradually
not existing

eyelid by
eyelid;

hear an ordinary
water glass

tumble and
shatter

somewhere
by a wayward arm

indicating
the presence

of someone
awakened

by a nightmarish
vision

of their each act
being noticed

and remembered
like this

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