

Nature Vs.
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The dandelion
cleaves through
a crack in the sidewalk

Crab grass and clovers
speak up in spots
along the driveway

Evergreen shrubs
left to mature without trimming
now brush the roof's gutters

Resilient grass blades
among the landscape stones
find their way through plastic mesh

It taunts me
lets me know
I am temporary

just squatting
a renter
at best