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Peach

after *Flame* by C.D. Wright

the tree	the leaf	the stem
the seed	the skin	the fuzz
the plump	the bite	the juice
the sweet	the tongue	the taste
the hands	the spring	the bees
the bruise	the raw	the vine
the bite	the lush	the tart
the cheek	the farm	the sticky
the dirt	the nectar	the roots
the bite	the burst	the flesh
the chill	the pit	the peach
the ripe	the ripened	the ripening