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Steel blade slashes  
across my thumb  
with an icy lick  
that sinks into my skin.  
Redness rushes forth  
as if escaping  
from some hidden prison  
deep within my heart.  
As the blood slithers  
down my wrist,  
our fingers press together  
and the well of liquid scarlet  
floods and overflows  
with the quick energy  
of this sudden bond.  
Five perfect bloody spheres  
fall and splash across the floor.  
They sink deep  
and settle inside the wood,  
staining it forever  
with the love that we have made.

*by Katherine E. Murray*