

Yesterday

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Played-out in sets of drizzles
coughs and sprays of spittle
like someone with sniffles--
only occasionally fatal

Blaming climate for weather
like blaming cattle for leather
birds for a feather
horses for their tether

Whoever said phylogeny
recapitulates ontogeny
probably meant ontology
misconstrues allegory

As usual, the joke's on us

