## The Boot

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Omen of the foot.

Black, weathered,
slick with a snake-tongued step,
the calve's leathered matador.
Heel, buckle-belled, silver-edged
finger grope, one slow toe tap
urges 'Come here.' I bend to
the hand's companion, my lip's acolyte,
a crotch-heavy press of 'Yes.'