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lked out on the ow run to the curly hair. The shadow spread across the windows before focusing into a single frail shape of a woman.

I walked to the door and pulled at it. It came right off, save for a few nails in the hinges. I pull again.

The shadow banged at the window with both fists.

I pulled the door again and again until it released itself. The woman banged in repetition. I looked back at the house. The shadow ran to one end of the house and then the other. The shadow split and magnified as she moved. I took the door down to the bay and floated it out into the sound.