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VANCOUVER CHERRY TREES

The thin cherry branches anemoning out of the bulb
of the pollarded trunk, supple as lanyards,
arc under the weight of scalloped blooms and pebbles
of rain the spoon-shaped petals can't release.

**If three thousand trees fall in the forest,
does anybody hear?**

That's the estimated number of trees that were destroyed in Stanley Park — which is why we're donating 10 new ones to be planted. We also encourage people and businesses across Canada to do what they can to help restore this national treasure. Please give generously. www.vancouverparks.ca or 604-257-6911

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