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*circa 1900*

The canneries  
placed their nets  
five miles out  
off the Copper  
River Delta  
and processed  
the pink-bellied  
salmon by the ton.  
Bald eagles gathered  
in trees, promised  
easy meals, talons  
pinning fish-flesh  
as their beaks  
dipped down to rip.

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