Derelict

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Isolated in a forgotten field,  
a delicate breath from God stirs him to life  
and the tall, gaunt figure begins anew  
his immortal ritual.  
Pale moonlight reflects the worn features of an outcast  
whose metallic lament of despair breaks the stillness  
of the cool night air.

The one-time bringer of life to the barren prairie  
stands alone now (perhaps forever),  
a landmark on the horizon,  
existing solely as a scar from a bygone era—  
the windmill has outlived its utility.