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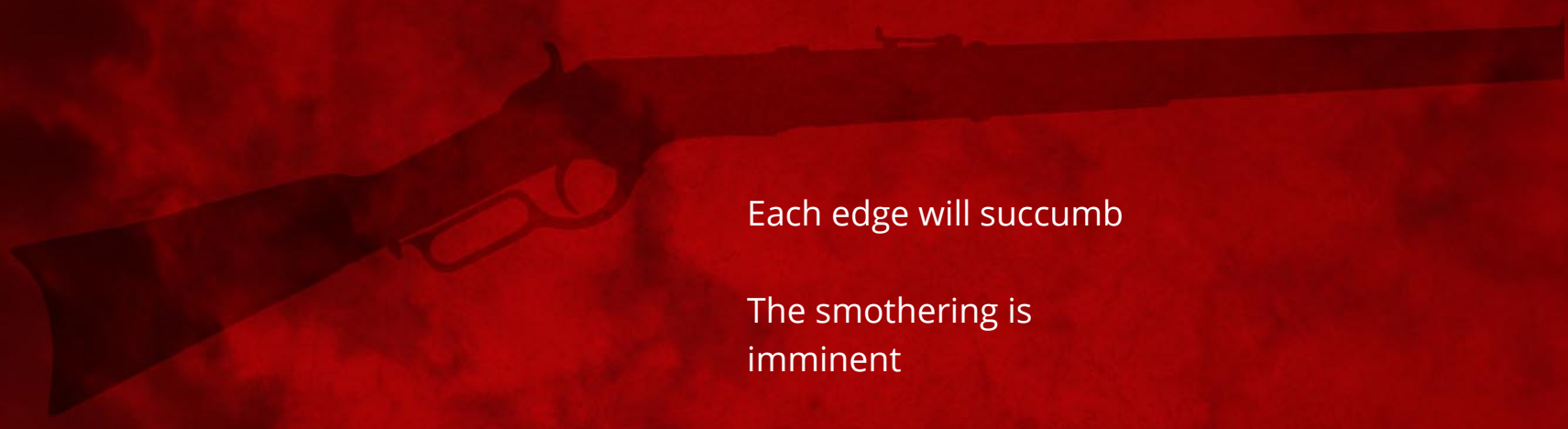

Each edge will succumb

The smothering is
imminent

There is no light
spread, only dripping
spoonfuls of future
crust

Momma taught me
to scrape the char
off the surface
of burnt toast

& when the jar
looks empty

abundance erupts
in clinks of glass
& spoon

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