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MADISON

TREASON

I accuse
was reference a national referencing a nationalism without
what authority
the streams of social security the streams the reservations
call nature for what it is like last year's precedent and
the outer bounds of nature
man woman humanity
pulls what beauty pulls recognizes difference indifference
it were those willful acts [of the passage of information]
reference a border to this collectivity reference a walls becoming
the station of a small and gathered earth is peace within
[hanged him and her] and peace again and peace again
contempt is the question but is forgotten when [they] do not answer
like fear does not answer

I accuse
social change the eruptions of social change
party politics and the getalongs of habitations with enemies
was a party sorted a line like all good parties do
and with a gentle threat grown into a public relations orbit
an example will be made of this war and every war [even when there is no] [war]
the cryptologists met on a starry night dressed as joggers
passed fiche and film and a bank account [that is old]
was just a stepped allegiance to [that] rightness
upon a disheartened loyalty to that authority like pressure
is
and heavy handed for control and heavy handed for being
and were their wink to say the others the others when
treason is not elsewhere like a mirror treason is speaking

THE DRAWN MOON

Sketch a circle an enzo circle
that is all

A star is the night above the clouds a star a star
and to give up a wish for astronomy

Reflection to stand away from circumstance
war and the polity of war

Reflection everything is different over there
the theory of everything

Reflection everything is philosophy
they [they] built roads tore away forests

Reflection time is no mention to winter
every day is winter [and yet]

Reflection I am alone I am truly alone
but for your thought but for your communion I am alone

Reflection all of the stars are might the galaxy
the stars are blue

Reflection the horizon the earth does rise
it is partial in night and day water and land

And if there were another source of reason
say material for beauty is mine

Sketch a circle was perfect enough to say circle
the drawn moon

Yes
the finitude of time
is only partial reference to place
I too see birth and the birth of ways orbits
and that is only math to say
a numbers devoted to children climbing upon a lap
[they] [grow old]
listen to electronic stories and humor
genius is a lonely divine and lonely enough
for time to oneself
the contemplates of personal circumstance reference God
the contemplates of personal circumstance reference another question
and another question
was a star stole away from a hole in the universe
marked itself as important
[neutral] [indifferential]
was said she kept you for your mind so did she so did she
a life rounded in the status of several institutions
and dependent
dependent upon law natural law
[will you turn the page please]
the weightless interruptions of truth are validation to
the systems of beauty the consternations of beauty
was a morning birdsong
declares one is close enough to health to assume
the common pleasures which clear a mental palate
world picture is anthropology is astrophysics
unified theory
includes my own quantum self thank you and I
[build] upon [that] do I not build upon
the history of science the history of world pictures
yes

An order upon the dereliction of order
[we] assemble
for a shuttered imagination this manifest is notice
to a separated dialogue upon the common governance
which is not common
a travel into each our shells for constitution and aim
recognizing authority is a wave again and again like democracy
nor shallower for change but heartened in
the spirit of how
the shape of transformation assumes a nation
like a vessel
because there were no response there were no given principle
but want and lechery
for [we] are ordered for self reliance for self control and
a handled majority is rise to its own interest
naturally
[come forward] come forward to invent what is invented
to recast the hardened frames of confidence
say an internal dialogues are claimed once again
like the fullness of inclusion
nor stasis for there are no oppositional institutions [to this]
there cannot be or
their regard for foundations is corrupt and can only be addressed
[differently] in their condemnation in their silence
The recalcitrant
gave a name to the recalcitrant
nor faceless but midnight for the stars the absent moon
were trust a calling say
this is trust's second call and to know
the circles of popular time come again and again
answer
vigilance

AS STATED IN THE MEMO

As stated in the memo
there have been disruptions to the professional force of this
organization
specifically
mention the party hats and the daily cakes
the loitering at the coffee maker with said party hats
the irreducible smiles
as such
the regional directors are given permission and license to carry
taser weapons not unlike cattle prods
in the interest of productivity
what we ask and what we the governing council expect is
a lightness to task a heartened devotion to being
it is true
there has been no decline to production numbers
there has been no loss but say
when there is no directed imagination there is but hourly stagnation
mention the streamers from cubicle to cubicle
mention the face painting mention
the Friday secret gift giving mention the pet names
the irreducible smiles
as such
the regional directors will delegate one member per team
to wear a patch
[a skull]
it is believed this executive decision will harden a resolve to
want for more
[more]
with the subtle condition that
productivity is an empire started upon an existing line
productivity is a common good
as stated in the memo

ATTRITION

Retirement said the actuaries social security we must
realize a median age of death as seventy six
for reasons of national solvency
[this year]
the degradation of confidence in the systemics surrounding elderhood is
an indication of poor investments
[because]

The consignment of one's financial retirement is a trust
the consignment of a care free way at retirement is a trust
[the next generation is smaller] [this generation lives longer]
[question]
[how overdrawn are we]
[but they are heroes] [they] [built the interstate system]
[because]

[They] were born assuming retirement is
standard
the teachers usually die at sixty five if they have not already died at thirty three
the iron workers die when they want
the doctors hold on as long as they can and the same with the nurses
the librarians and lawyers go lay down thinking of numbers
[because]

And to assume the vagaries of mortality with a mind toward
certainty
[in the interest of our children] attrition is a numbered decline in youth for they are convinced
a babies their babies can expect no security in their elder age
even if sex does feel good even if love does feel good
the confidence index of familial growth is dismal
[because]

SO TIRED SO DEEPLY TIRED

So tired so very tired
enough to close an eyes but not to strain for sleep
so deeply tired
a tiredness of the soul in which the days have passed without notice
the automaton having forgotten himself
a moment
to realize a body requires attention a hand upon a lain chest
to stall a nethered ambition and another
nethered ambition
a breath at once a ministry unto oneself one's vocational self
to say a poem is used if brought from these conditions
begs a question of if to fight
against an eroded ness though ask [have I not fought for mediocrity]
I stay in thought [I stay in thought]
and wishing there were no more questions [resolved]

Tripped

spilled coffee on the new rug [blasphemy]
the poets die atween forty five and fifty five
o

I still have time

the great idea was legacy and without children

I once admired children but it was I the child

looking for someone to play with

o

time is fortunate the priest the institution of priests

women should get such an audible vocation such a homiletic vocation

which does not require an MFA

I never required form as content has always been my thing

o

it is only time fills a heart [and a cigarette pause]

RENAISSANCE

Was the birds brought the rain melted the remaining snow
came the flowers spring again
eventually the leaves begin the buds again [and again]

Was a concert them and them came from their doorways watching squinting at
the life of life the reliability of order
the surface of belonging is notice [I]

Was a stage production with no memorable cast but a question
how is it autumn how is it autumn's opposite
their and their courage their renaissance [there is no confusion]

Was a word for invention they did not know but invention itself
a barb to climb upon wearing lavender and teal
declaring first this and first that and first other [thing]

Was a gathering crowd came to shake the hands of police officers
a big crowd and a big big crowd was cause for dispersal
just a little bit of pepper spray and a single bean bag gun [that is all]

Was a garden picker picked a peck of cucumbers and flowers
in the interests of love and hunger
still said harvest is spring [because]

Was a poet known for the philosophy of change the nature of change
had seen it [all]
put his pen down [this]

Was a garage sale they had cleaned during the winter
got rid of a couple of things made enough for a nice dinner
[some seeds and a couple of straw hats]

Was the coyote said to the rabbit said to the raven said to me
 it is words get messed up rearranged
 the wolves know and the salmon know
 the arbitrary station of dialogue is hinged upon the lunar state
 I am just hungry and I do not eat talking frogs
 I have no appetite for talking frogs or talking dragonflies and
 a bear is just too damn hard
 a trickster is always honest in some regard I say I
 have a lesson for the cat
 listen closely to this whisper
 the meateater took a chunk of its own flesh and tied it to a string
 put it near the silence pond where the others gather
 [the ducks grew fangs] [the deer grew claws]
 said one cat to another to the coyote to the rabbit to the raven
 said to me
 word travels among people [a poem]
 The rain the cursed rain I expect
 and to be hungry
 the large rodents from stations the beaver the open water
 food for thought the bear the ecosystem is alive
 and scavenging I say I
 steal the last of temptation the smoked fish the smoked elk
 I am an animal I am not an animal [there is no such question]
 excepting hunger and methods excepting living arrangements
 [there is no such question]
 the raccoon lit a candle on the first moonless cloudless night I remember
 set it upon my doorstep
 friend
 and do try the cat meat left at the pond with a story
 Said the hawk for sky
 there is but one horizon
 there is one language

The sanctuary of a corner
 and with no windows knowledge is one quarter of the set of knowledge
 could see rivalry bunct away in that corner and that corner and that corner
 [the spiders]
 it happens time is a friend
 spend a day from anonymity spend a night sound asleep
 near to [that]
 it is the imagination puts one to defense it is the imagination
 cause for silence
 mans' default is the protection of one's own and were it three nights
 the lit candle
 so he put into it a window opened the window said exterior
 and there were no demons remain
 climbed out and about called this and that what they appeared to be

 The sanctuary of a corner
 is rise to essence the predator the domesticated animal the man
 was a cave at midnight and who does sleep in an open cave at midnight
 the wolf
 the delicate breaths the lightness of breath
 man too is a carnivore would eat a wolf if pushed to eat a wolf
 found a cave a weary cave midnight clear night
 it was the cave was the wolf's corner nor consideration to share and
 summarily attacked killed and sprawled upon
 the stony surface of the floor
 [yes] they ate him through his leather and flannel and through his
 humanly intentions he did not see it coming
 [no] this is not wide open land [no] this is not free land
 said the wolf found the moon with bloodstained fore features

The time the professor taught a class
from a remote location
yes
she was remote the students were not remote
please submit your papers electronically
[try to mention the reading once every class] [into the microphone]
there was a TA with her seemed to get
a darker and darker tan during the course
everyone gets an A
unless you prove to me you do not deserve an A everyone gets an A
[does not everyone get what they deserve] [no]
say your name and your location
I like to get to know my students
use words like brilliant like confident like groundbreaking
the students of students met in a cafeteria
was a forty four inch Sony Bravia tv hooked to an Apple something or other
there was a single microphone in the front near the camera
twenty of them
noticing the teacher use words like brilliant confident and groundbreaking
without reference
everyone gets an A assuming attendance and assignments are
qualified
is not the teacher the student is not the professor the student
the subject is analytic poetry
they took turns reading all in a line from
an undisclosed location a technical classroom a cafeteria
was not an experiment but
a mandated faculty exercise by the administration
to replace sabbaticals
was a new school started during her remote exercise without desks
when the cameras were done
who would not want to stay out their pension [Bali]

It is the two party system
grinds its force against an uncommitted third party
[are they not committed] [but]
it is the plaque of good ideas the plaque of decency
stops a noninclusive force
with a question
again and again a force is curriculum applying the economics of currency
quality of life
and whether it were a stabilizing force to their ambition
plaque
say they are rested nor are they longer protesting but resembling defeat
the hush the silence surrounding a power's ignorance is
a ballot measure
it was a weakness on environmental policy it was a weakness on civil rights
lost an interest and only partially reflected in polls
really they were not listening
[get it while you're young] was a week after taking office
a sweeping legislation and now
spent the last year campaigning to convince for reason
like a friend like an idea like leadership is a gaggle of philosopher kings
the plaque of positive governance is
a house and family the securities of house and family
and the malleability of truth is not malleable
there is no spin to a method a service just ask in reasoned language
the movability of social decay can be spun [can it not] [question]
if social decay is irreducible can it be moved [question]
the movability of negation can be channeled [can it not] [question]
the unconditional presence of change is a question
is change unconditional [said to no one]
they are gone with their clocks they are gone
having lifted a force they are gone leaving a stamp an executive stamp
[qualified]

SALVO

The might the condensation of might
was twenty one guns the hero
recognition is a spot of time for memory [remember] [sacrifice]
early spring the cool air the funerary air
[pause] when no one is speaking is absence again absence
the dead are all in lines all of the heroes in lines
kept a man from bleeding while posting a defense
circumstance is a foreign war
something undeclared but measured say national security
had not time to marry to spark one's own cause

Representation the honor of representation
is institutionally claimed
pop
pop
pop

THE MISSPELLED INVITATION

The raised lettering the texture the cloth paper
no
just one g on each end
and its BYOB not BOB [really] [to a wedding]
okay
Bob and Cindy [oh] [never mind]
I will bring a presence a wrapped presence

THEY CAN NEVER TAKE YOUR HOUSE

Fiction is a worry no
your house cannot be taken
that is inaccurate that is untrue
if you do not pay your bills if
you are raided by an army by the police
eminent domain
nothing is permanent [I wonder]

Fiction is possibility no fiction is science no
just look at history
when fire was invented
who would have thought
a barbecue would follow who would have thought
but [I did not realize it was fiction]
[that is why old people sometimes get quiet]

Fiction is a subject I suppose
I suppose
for those who have used up honesty
washed honesty away with the doldrums
[they can never take your house]
[some things are permanent]
[some things are permanent unless they burn down]

OTHER THINGS ON MY MIND

Was married to a poem
the gold ring
a stanza glows partially impartial
the hammered material is
a tulip a golden tulip and temporal
declares
one is entertaining a season

The ice melt
that is all
the gold ring
cold like steel the thought of steel
are there not poems with no meaning
nor matter the light to say it is gold for its substance
I hold you when nothing can be held

A new name for the sun
no
the gold ring
is a poem [it is a hat a head dress] [it is]
the hammered material [is] change
no
[but for permanence]

THE TREE FARM

The airborne plastic grocery bag
surrendered in a tree
the leaves still gone it
flutters as a flag [ten thousand years]

The rows the rows of trees like corn
and harvest for my needs recyclable needs
[the paper flag was a grocery sack turned inside]
[on a broomstick] [the cardboard ship]

Is a day
the tree farm and another day then generations of days
do they not stop clearcutting
sustainability

Hide and seek is a tree farm
shadows
in one day you will be used [given]
[like a resource]

A LAW CAN BE CHANGED

Roll call ninety percent present there was nothing to do
the senators went to the museum and had a snowball fight
for posterity
for the camera

Apparently order mandates a budget in which
[all of that]
requires a simple majority that means fifty one of ninety farmers present
simple

The snow is gone the museum is unfunded [now]
the cherry blossoms [now]
convince me of this idled state and I will vote yes
the reflecting pool was muddy like the Mississippi slow and maybe the eddies of the Colorado

The cause for discontent was a general agreement [that]
upon a given notions of one measure of social control a children should not have [guns] in
[school]
ok

Put that forward like a foot Mr. Majority Leader
I am going to get an ice cream
[text me]
I am going to have a snowball fight in the privately endowed museum

Had an eye for both camps
the harlot and the crook

It was a volatile time and he was not yet a president
nor she a mother

The rule of law is a contract in which there may be an application of some force
if only one party agrees to a contract [question]

Public opinion is a painting a nude painting
really it is a matter of the content of one's character

The credibility of a higher station
and he was a boilermaker rode a bus to rallies when he was not on the clock

Truth is a distraction to truth
there is a finite number of principles [question]

It was a volatile time and a presidency had not been so
consequential

Maybe
she had grown away gone away on financial principles

The silence of the silenced crept into
an alternative language

A woman's body is contest is not a woman's body contest
and mention her career

Are they real [question]
your integrity Mr. President

This is important the appearance of God is important
withdrawn

a submission once entertained is withdrawn [no] [but it could have been]
to think the worst is not only to think of death but its preceding pain its unexpectedness
who

but a life withdrawn

was a dream unto a cornered life the withdrawn soul is
like a raisin from an exterior

but the paintings he never let you see in the garage will be burned before he dies

was a dream and more than typical was a film hero Tom Hanks

wearing glasses and could not see through the blur

took them off for clarity

withdrawn

and were it my own being my own security but I have a question and another question

it is I am withdrawn

delightfully withdrawn from expectations though

ask were it a jeopardy of one's own being I have a question is there not time for a question
[not any longer] [if]

an offering is submitted in good faith and tabled for a year

apologies

and I understand your withdrawal I consume your withdrawal

I withdraw from your withdrawal

and if it were death I withdraw from death [I am now wearing comfortable shoes]

this is important because nothing happened

but something *could* have happened and thus a rational declaration of a meaningful
[dream]

would have existed [withdrawn]

I withdraw my gaze at your curiosity do you not see I withdraw my gaze

and were it not for the appearance of God

just a power just a force just a meaningful sensation and

appearances can be deceiving [yes] I will cross my legs Indian style a long moment close my eyes
until my interest is withdrawn

The problem is I get manic when things are going too good
 it is not an affliction it is not an internal system of self destruction
 the pleasure principle is manifest in desire
 the acquisition of what one was originally ambitious for
 the acquisition of a conceptual ambition is easy to convince oneself of
 was a blue feather I read about [then] was a blue feather floated about the room
 prestige has never been my interest but
 an allowance to the stage of interest like a calling I will
 never be forced shackled to write a poem but its introduction is
 a podium a public way
 a foundations of peace are a grounded routine for to have once been carried away
 [to the moon] [and back]
 it is no whisper to say public appearance is
 first mentioned as heroism because
 one voice may or may not be another voice like hers
 the problem with representation is an overextension of oneself
 poetry is representation
 [they] vote on poetics call forward the proper folk [it is not my turn]
 [I have never registered] [nor will I pay reading fees]
 the problem is a change in public opinion is a question of audience [no]
 the journalist journaled her way through middle life explaining
 [to her future self] [why]

They painted funny little wooden figures and called them dolls

I would not sleep with a funny little wooden painted doll

but I bought one anyway for the mantle [because]

Material culture is a word and then another word sending the last to rest

progress is measured in material culture is it not [question]

depends on who is asked I suppose

I suppose

the problem is believing there is a problem among the megalomaniacalisms

supposing another's future

is a grocery trip

An inventoried nature all of the winds the waters
 the catalyts
 supposing a science a mind for science declares a computational method in which
 one being pushed unto a force and another force
 suppose the predictability of circumstance say weather
 say marriage is the logical conclusion to courtship because
 that was mother's mother's mother's way
 simulation is a modeled line of truth mention time and too
 the next will be for practice the same I say
 and to practice love and to practice winter and to practice philosophy and to practice family
 the trombone
 each of the intersecting energies cross a thought for [then]
 when practice is switched to performance such is the real as context
 a preparedness is a sight to futures but it were
 ever preparation to imagine to simulate with no governing reality for reference
 and say an imagined truth is as referential as any if
 it were an ends unto itself
 mention improvisation as a manner of simulation and
 an allowance to a changing force thus because there may or may not be a control for
 [what]
 I am
 and it were my smallest seed to say I am only a registrar a reporter a journalist
 a poet
 and to task is to respond to gather receipts
 for there is no simulation to an altered movements of earths but education
 the split theories the split acts the split approach unto the finitudes of reason
 and manageability
 they too can be God and moving [things] originally
 say simulation and to be so rapt into the possibilities of one's own force and
 discern
 was a dream was it not a dream she had prepared me for grace
 [teacher] [but it is mine now] [is it not]

Between two words is watch is listen
were the clouds so helpless
I am a frame of information an institution I am
spring is the dismembered season putting itself again
waiting for the birds
to stay to ask the proper questions to visit and go away and return
one idea is a book about understanding one's own reference
that is what they all are
reason [answering the call of *because*]
it was the moon before sundown could be a cloud
just as helpless and learning
Easter is an egg a malted egg like a robin's egg
but that is only about another orbit unless one answers Jesus
free will
is exercised in a variety of obvious forms the Governor lists on his website
the art of forgiveness when there has been no deviance
the art of forgiveness to make someone feel good
the art of forgiveness is a plea
the wind picked up with the clouds for sundown concealed the moon
for now
the disheartening thing about yesterday is that
it can no longer be touched
the yoga clock chimed for the hour you are forgiven
and so it is your turn to forgive [eh]
the elections the birds the ballots the birds was a profanity
between two profanities is watch is listen
the hallowed halls of democracy
is a portrait is a portrait of a portrait
I have no ekphrasis for you for your idolatry have you
planned for the next millennium when someone asks
who was first [*because*]
the portrait was taken down to make room for modernity

Death is tax to life
every winter follows every year
said
I have no control [okay]
what started as a train became an airplane
the organization of people the organism of people
[okay] and
the subtleties of independence of freedom
built a tall purposed building
with round feminine edges
the buffalo on the interstate highway
the goats
the shepherd
has never died and never plans to die
when the wind
caused the clouds [okay]
the structure of revolutions they have it planned including
catered lunch
nature is a flower the first flower
time is tax to life it is I die
what it is I do not control and cannot control
is a watch is a chapter
the dead leaves for fertilizer the excrement of
winter [okay]
in two years that squirrel will have replaced its parents
the first sun I remember
was a yellow finch a pair of yellow finches
upon a shelf
said
the most you can do is forget
call things what they are [okay]
comb your hair in the morning

It is the same leaf blown against my screen
last year and the year before
damn predictability hindsight is perfect nature is
known
operative nature is known
it takes a glance a seaside glance a wander near the brook it requires being
[the princess marries a commoner because of love] [that is what started it]
[the house of commons and all that]
[the city beautification commission]
the city beautification commission planted maple trees at fifty foot intervals
between the footpath and the street
now everyone is doing it
not I
when I deserve change I look in the mirror look at my hands
say it is out of my control [now] since two thousand and ten it is out of my control
recognize good art
assume the pleasures okay plant maple trees
walk slower
the indivisible self is brought from the shell of youth
I have not forgotten [them] [the commoners]
change is an answer is a statement which neglects heredity neglects nature
it is the same forest fire every year is it not
the same tree grown from ashes
for a thousand years for six thousand years and more Methuselah
but you too are timed and recreating
as I but with a better view

They came
they started something
started chattering and talking language and sex
that was the beginning
and when there is no surface to organization when there is no governance *because*
there is plenty of room
the ideas are different the poems are different
they make the cars bigger and with all wheel drive
fewer color choices
I once rambled and I look forward to rambling again
because
if the birds do not come *then* one must go to the birds
they came
they were drunk but orderly drunk
and with answers about warmer climates and soil erosion but
I did not have any questions for them
I just wanted to see what they would do
how they would offer their feathers
the helpless clouds stay in the way
I acknowledge winter I acknowledge summer already the days will be growing shorter
the consolidation of power is why that pigeon got so fat
it is a powerful pigeon
coos under his breath her breath
they came *because*
they were promised a better nest better access to bird feeders
the problem with interspecies adoration during lent is
a religious question
of heroes and deeds and acts and stories
is a question of whether one has rightly assumed their own station
so I went to confession about confessing
planted another flag like memory and guilt and feeling better
now *because*

THUNDERBIRD

Is a rumbling a built clouds a creeping sky
thunder and silence and thunder

O paramount the raven but to say it was not her the voice for
hers is defensive

Thunderbird
the rolling watch the deafening nor rain

Is
theater

The clock outward from a doorway contrast my own condition
tock tock the clouds a sign

O paramount my own I
am not the raven seeking shelter for watch I am sheltered

Crash from light lightning a streaming crash
the bird

Thunderbird
a trail of rain upon a sound a rivers where there were no rivers

I
am the opposite of silence

Nor contrast to the clouds above but the air the sweet air
slowly rolls

It is I claims in feathered arms wide the way
in which there is no polity

WAITING FOR THE BIRDS III

Within my control
these words bring the season these words bring the clouds
one filled moment and the next the hummingbirds return
the bears come about
darkness is a memory of the future is a poem
phoenix
is a cycle is suffering is birth is a fable
for nothing is brought from death but death itself

Within my control
the fed birds continue to feed at the feeder
stay
these words bring [things] just to my own being these words bring humanity
was a force of nature put down winter the ground thawed
the feeder leaned with the wind then into the ground thus the squirrels
because
squirrels cannot fly nor climb about a baffle

Within my control
I would have pitied Jesus in his last hours I would not have called it justice
I cannot say I would have intervened
today is Good Friday and cool with
Peeps and malted milk eggs the birds are put away
these words bring the possibility of history these words explain [things]
like silence explains [things]
tomorrow there will be a cardinal there will be a yellow finch for Easter

Plucked
bird by bird
the acts of liberation theology are inclusive of the thought of liberation theology
were a station of service so divine
convince the one with the heavy boots the heavy black boots talking of
an installation of work effort
parenting
the common good the idea of a common good is passage to independent thought
license
and were democracy so entitled as to regard a uniformity of language perhaps
and were [it] enough to vote
get one's thumb purpled every six months it is a distraction to
the comraderies of faith and witness I know like certainty
public art and the nature of social change address authority but to say
economics
we could use a new kitchen table and
to regard an association with the poverties of want [no] I cannot be still
it just looks justly different when *that* parish assumes a greater want like jealousy
the fixed nature supposing a limits is an outward glance
for I too have a dream like the personal constellations of want but
to offer one's own fish is
[different]
the iteration of liberation theology is an act unto its own and [what] does come next
say
the reasonable teleologies of being are all of the securities of the imagination
first she was beautiful and then she was hungry
and to watch her size grow small is my harness like a tear is a harness
bird by bird they come again I
but I am no metaphor for curiosity when a prior stations are not addressed
put
I am thinking a moment damn you
I am thinking

No
we are not speaking the same language
we are not divining the same conscience
you
are a cone and I am a rectangle among that which is
conceptually defined by the likes of Xs Ys and Zs
okay
As Bs Cs
I am a poem and you are an instrumental song okay
maybe
complimentary if
X equals Y and Y equals Z then we all get along
kiss
tell bedtime stories just to hear each other's voices
realize there is no struggle to
math
count the number of heartbeats in a minute [if] [then]
figure the number of beats in a day a year a life span
why
the stranger looks forward ahead carries an umbrella
time is one too many friends
is
the weight of responsibility is one the weight of the universe is one
[thus] responsibility is the universe [eh]
is
a pretty darned sweater [you're welcome] [did I say that out loud] [question]
[there must be a thousand darns] [did I say that out loud]
you
are a number and I am a letter you are a primary number and I
I am helvetica