

BODIED TONE

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A Stayed Course

Fossil tray bistro, alert revealed:
a desperate shade of pantry tiled
efflorescent,
wheel alert as menu credit.

Severed blood a phosphate offer,
serpentine enamel mix.
Zombie transfer exits.

A reversible mandate legend
itemized
leather
scrutiny.

Tangential mustard rafters
elicit strong thoroughfare margins,
their
enlargement.
At the helm's
fixation

a latitude slowly mustered,
an advanced altitude. Swollen negation
nonplused

its consequence

to an amplified

pundit stream

After the Rain

accidental occidental taciturn umbrella
shakes the fallen makers in the mold
no umbrage taken hold the hot fortuna
misting runic glyphs to sun-red dawn

scalding metaphors
respect the blanket
overlooking vacant cliffs

its stellar burning its acrid turning
holds the tall breakers cold calling
not bold not engaged urns tumid
alternates yearning occur forage

blistering anathema
dank inspections lift
ancient riffs cooking over

Again

red finger snaps

cast pulmonary nostrums
warping her capsuled treasure
ancillary postures repeated

again, as again

& not

its sulfate pledge

Past rosters decimate the nail
derailing pilasters to fibrous currency
tossed at squawking barmaids

in search of primal vespers

Angles of Transport

Fruit-looped guacamole transits
hustle blustered acronym tickets,
carting blanched traces to gates
of animus kingdoms enamored
with luminous cannabis entrails
or feted majesties of justification:
all the ways that print would see
if not perfectly full, then left off
right at center's fork-tuned edge
ticketing text as flickering canvas
for their stately varicose display,
a blockage heartily subsumed
in stalls of metered vengeance
castigating oats and haymakers
gobbling sugar cubes at walls
of their own, a quaking hybrid
relaying its congenital dismay
at the splayed hooves canting
geometry through an inability
sheer as any black negligee
shedding its bare hypotenuse
for any of its sublingual trestles
replaying all domino theories
falling before checkerboards
in atria of strangled theorems.

An Opposition

random isolate symmetry deluxe
fabricate function as ecru sincere
filibuster parlayed its nuanced reach
too late sits luster enhancement triage
affordable fixation needled eye
scamper mash a dangled recluse
incumbent upon dead trilogies
mastered unread translation
rendered ice cold as matter
transcendent filial onrush translucent
may care incendiary shoreware
artifacts redux where more days
dance affixed free movement there
momentarily snatching the crux of it
careless or not where we go
phantom operatives at skylight wired
terrier montage for daring their luck
an abeyance toward albatross dentures
gripping the genuine particle
mandibular art sequestered to the four
armed bandits daring sci-fi entourage
inconsequent wearing diapers their
incremental vehicle waste enumerates
reluctant flagon pastry articulated again
or not as entangled as id is
now and for never a men
to worship high life gamblers
pregnant with fatigue and emblems
rambling resuscitants ambushed
bilateral remnants decreed
inarticulate breed laced with fury
stratagems need not apply
forward categories marching order
springs their elastic blue glint
in tension's hot-wired sun
or the wage of its appellant neighbor

switching faces strobe link onward
enthusiastic rage impedes its gouted flow
so eager to breeze pink hatcheries
against the grain whirling in tornado wind

At an Exhibition

Influenza martini transoms
the handsome trolley's bare mix,
a rector set. Its fixed sites
at ransom. Chancing operations
succeed all fettle fixtures
writing motion memoirs as halls
pass folly sensors. A whiskered trick
has made them fixate mixtures
kettle-free as aplomb baskets ledge
the path. Center nights the way.

Incandescent credenza blotters
the drawing room's fine predation.
Rare sectors freed subtle textures,
their emblems translucent.
Lines vector sentiment's boundary
for unwearing guests, flashing
the last night's uncaring display.

At Random

The naked claim effronteries,
the causal beaches. Odd, eclair
uprooted creme dements wrought
stained crystal. War's symphonic leisure

upended anatomies. Consequent
wail crossed breathing with punting
arsenal. Wilting tactiles attitudinal tilt

lapidary junctures. Hunting rubric
plethoral virus caught glutinous strain.
Muscles ached, tame mountebanks
braking, same contusions spread
different raucous stares. At breach

of chronic pleasure
serpentine haste imbued
pudding as its warlock wastrel,

raking tame, confronted nasal reaches.
Lunge strained the terrier, wreath luted
pained thoughts wherever dregs uphold

leather. Notions
in feathered upkeep
stitched its paddled strides

At Risk of Naming

affect-free; laundromats

flee charitable rosters

shed. Plutonium rafters
bearing

their enamel fixation

eats, platitudinal laundry

encrusting, tangential, infernos

where vagaries turn

Barrier Riffs

umbral assassins merge as surface
calling toward invented dreams
where attic scrawls preclude the highest
stammer of unknown bold legume
stretching insistence a cross-field bench
awarding new ribbon tasks to lupine panels
fiberboard iota mix in judgment or reserve
a cryptic space deserving more license
or harrow at the ledge clamoring past resistance
a bitter nostalgia screaming tentacular harmonies
across scales of lost riffs causing second seizures
by the clock stoppage a motor works its agile rotor
tendrils where stoppages release their cysts
an overview neither slighted nor deleted
as omelets transfer clotted rumination patties
to restive rioters behind penumbral raincoat passages
clear squatting ahead or behind type
rumbling artifice lather sequels bumbling
martyrdom waiters mechanically later
starting endgame strategy missives in reverse
or central to endemic latitude arc
as ventral mosaic rooking parlance
at grudging pawns across the board
starting over emission station refuge platters
relenting dark distances as pursuit assembles
intimate stratagems aimed toward a demise
of instant flavor dances elliptic as generous
stanchion pools desist the deceased
unbludgeoned as its last accident
will follow all noon alliance rafter glamour
on gelatin afloat in its own dismay
resumes particles of legend subsumed
behind aghast composure lasting
generation tissue products defer
stratification to beat the hindmost
decibel enclosure breeding amulet system
regret analysis cartoon plunge moribund stature
fretting its lineage for obtuse barricades

Behind the Hunger Market

Trapezoidal tapestries
outhunger the few
now naked to the invisible eye

A terse geometry unfolds
its roster:

numerical dissidents
placards waving their placid dysease

Conundrum splatters
retroactive gradients grit slush
crested lapidary casualties smell the grotto

A crescent unfolds, iridescent
plumage bold as turquoise menthol

emphatic tissue merchants
squid collateral whitewash

Big Game

Cataleptic truants freeze
under jack-hunting headlights,
the encircled perimeters disgorging
crestfallen aviary sonatas.
Prescient with full moon armature
locked against a sullen vest,
no tidy amateurs replay
the auteur's role under
the shortfall of brightening shadows.
Tractor suppositories implode
the hand-held gesture,
filing rough edges of gesticulations
grown tired with envy. Their call
to penumbral tropes inveighs
tactile folly, isotopes their
practical core. Legions of light
relay seven points of fictive ego
amusing as moonlit factotums
edging warily toward the bucks
shot before going on the chase.

Blue Ribbon Cutting

Tangential orange blister
naked as canopy

its heartfelt swagger
crustily so:

primordial statements, arboreal wagers

the dread apothecary's slip.

Aging festers against skin's gentle
panoply. Fragrant grass

reaps lustily past harbor's dim
bluster. Braking slows, the ordeal
primes berating, a blue solitude

elapsed.
Plantain rapture crusted
surreal, etching a sow

whose crimes collapse new structures
paid with harness

as ceremonials due

Bodied Tone

endemic: the comic

Myoclonic cuticle
chutes the catwalk
jerks the lute,

its meaning
the chronic ballad
renders

dance:

sub-atomic membranes

Sound, its tendered inflections
engendered anemic counts,
a bloodline leading gene clefs

Register
epics dissonance
as its

Cluster

Bottoming the Line

Arboreal lucite punditry
established viscount threadbare
noggin conglomerate

ensued lichens poured the floor
coarse berry snatchers on mandate
redolent attractions

octagonal madness
& its grated opticon essential
to fast geometry splitters

module clavicles radar
seminal reflex sewage butter laid to waist
hips narrow satyr's gauntlet

enslaved unshaven
nostrils aplenty gird the bridge
& frigates ensue

wastrel pastries

Brief Pedestal

weighted nocturnes bleed lament
an implicit appendectomy
in the clearing fresh as bread
intentions albacore crossings
pineal tossed artifact
as sex with red antibodies
nor antipodal chastening
unclear fortitude outlandish pickerel
toward epoch-throttling forks
gender vanished applicants
rampage vaseline its aqueducts
obtrude the network
splashing hermetic offspring
her secondary wavering
withstanding its nudge
the intra-coastal water weighs
in factions all intent to render
his nugatory supplement
a grounded appeal
squelching vipers under hoof
and latter techniques deployed
arrangement costs too soon
to tremble or dissemble
degraded entree as brief pedestal
intending underground stability
foregone protrusions help his pay
withheld to sample rap mosaics
of rages under percussion

Carnival at the Circus

incandescent obstacle cadenza
trapeze leviathan fury / the course of its castigation

ovules
 incendiary
 bathysphere

along the aureole's demotic substrata

tangent wolves howl tapestry blunders
inconceivable opiate dispensers commensurate
with unpaid conglomerates

fungo the albatross
its web of tenses plural

nor intimate howls at conjecture's edge

toward a livid tapestry its vivid imitations

injected as future canticles enameled plectrum

whose inner pabulum deters their false credentials

intestate hooves rejoinder
lipid sparks aloof as gender

samples / redundant slapstick amperage
* its loves disjointed as vicar willows
* a consequence to endless repetition

bone density marrows futures at risk
petitioners shade umbral intensity

still nebulous
cleavage plies
networks down

the barker's insistent crescendo

Caustic Obligato

Triadic discoloration
fits the pondered suit: mnemonic displays,
observant.

The keyboard, as. Its numenal
sightings fake digital leaps / a dismay,

in variations:

repetitive visceral triplets beat

turbulence

weathering

discourse

Cautionary Causeway

The tentacle flash of pyramids
eludes the laureate sensor's smile.
A cache of myriad samples inures
the photos of demotic ancestors
phlebitic to their privileged runes

& sunsets ignore the orator's intense.
Lewdness fortifies the lyrical mind of orchids
dotting

the hues of their insensate histories
crying the drama of the archipelago
amidst glories intersected.

The intestate chorus sings crude tentacles
including the insect orchestra, traffic jams riffing
tall stiff breezes through tunnels, their great renown
shuffling the density of strictures. Before the myth

deplores the storied chords,
a sense of wisteria bleeds the past
of landings

unheralded as blue
in the visible night.

Nor mentors task

the questioned bid,
its torrents stalking
indigenous gestures.

Before the risible id detects erectile function
or the hammer falls on moonbeams if ill repute
of lessons

precede moral gestures
of flippant decrepitude.

The resourceful parlay

what to ask. The unbidden seek
tactical retreats, oral jests, practical
adders writhing weary baskets

of late renown. Storied tables
leg at the outset. Nor glyphs that
receding

pulchritude belies the insipid
fury of nude filling stations

that fillet the source.

Censoring Depravation

Pectoral ammunition pullets
hollowed the vacant flux. Enamored
with a polymer obligato

or dandelion crucifix thrusts

impaneled offspring elated

coils as

fluid gestures depicted in tank
or out of. (Animal vestiges cloaked
riverbank wattles.)

Where nesting placebos taunt

the histrionic gesture

to adamant reflux,

embroiled panelists foil
the threat of their arching imbroglio.

Chancing Operation

eastern lumbago tangerine amour
rose glinted tassel vermouth mikado
irrational predilection a prediction heard
across the mighty octagon shore
where morsels fleshed their betterment
or tossed a flighty contradiction
toward undefined perimeter stages
heard unfinished sin phonies
bitten short of delayed accrual papers
actual daily basis pageant renewed
tragic amplitude vacating tumid days
spent nursing vacant harbor doubles
as rumination brings splendid reply
where settings and signals relayed
a fortress baring greater lassitude
than chest or vapor acquiescing
to music of vintage résumé droplets
never perceived nor shared its leaving
venture capitol forbids renewing
vagrant homily reminders to slanted dust
a vapor shared by many seeking gases
under thread of optimum release
nor caring for refined indenture tablets
remiss in the tread of their dubious making
all quandary rigs well up the slate
in search of quarry feathers tinting youth
a vacant rarity defines its longing
as truth blotters bearing cross stitches
amid radio tuners ringing crudescence
loose mandible handles turn obtuse
eyes to reel the grandiose visions
ringing cranial conundrum splatter
over the loose-toothed spectral blather
spitting plasticine headaches across
sectarian lines drawn in sand blur mottoes
each seeks a slogan of breed release

from chordal moil appeasing vortical tunic
tolls for runic residuals of telethon markets
crooning industrial missives across the land
of ventral sprockets creaking latitude
or sundry spectacles insistent as the furor
accompanies the bandshell resignation
assigned to creatures bearing attitude stamps
or coastal feelings squirming visceral pockets
to nub postal herrings against turning
orbital socket entreaties to past affirmations
recriminating future offenders pro-rating
nurtured recidivist atrophies urgent
as all the splendored grass segments
throttled continuity rescinded pavements
past swallowing their gastric indentation
for casting aversions that miss spells
against any threats that caterpillar innuendo
or chancing the theater's cast of lost dice

Commanding Presents

Deltoid remainders
its fragmented imperative,
sluices the fluent amber

trenchant.

Hollows of remorse
thicken a limber tenderloin
where crab grass outstretches

its demurred paramour,
a lasting abridgement
never to be outdone

in the annals of flexible entries

Their ribald entreaty
reminds us to augment
the declaration:

crackling somber asterisks
after well-plated banyans

faltering
under the ego swell

at dusk

Random intimidation factoids
demolish lectures half-past renown.
Conjecture polishes the last
of its embryonic acetate. Legend,

a vacuum, remembers its past,
tenders digital immorality:

the wings
of processed obsolescence,

a fandom uncertified as oblong ledgers

risking uncertain dismay
in the fallow offshoot

palming its last leaf currency

against past embellishments foretold

Consonantal Breakfast

Pittance flamingos,
navel treasures an utmost
quarantine

configuration

as nettlesome. Sentinels exacerbate
the fruited laundry rumored to swell

the blatant lewdness
of ancient popsicles.
The stymied pituitary

breezing fudge angles the sky.

Hieratic nepotists declare
prolific nostrils their odes to piety

occluded

cerebellum potentate.
The ashes

accosted gonorrhoea.

Contemporary Cant

Categoric paradigms
deepen.
The seafood trolley

necessitates rigor
as boot camp sediment.
No martial artichoke

weathers the run a brewery's dredge.

Neon acetate
dwelling,
realtor's luck

the telephone wires offer the head grid.

Lock the surface, order
imperatives of all repute

to recall

their aleatoric destinies

Crossing Borders

Inharmonic vestal alliance
vexed over albatross wreaths:

blue crescent slowly rising,
tints the tumid scent just as it's
drifting
away.

The wash of fertile indignation
in matters of glib fixation shifts
from pointed emphasis, an
erosion

of structure. Glucose sodomite
ruptured spins elastic,
iridescent dalliance in posters
gleaming
true irrigation

as ditches. The best will bitch
& moan
crystal ballads

hammer
incipient data structures

dissonant with pasted rapture,
nodules carping the per diem

while a hooded diaspora
awaits them at the station

Crossing the Line

Influenza martini transoms
the handsome trolley's bare mix,
a rector set. Its fixed sites
at ransom. Chancing operations
succeed all fettle fixtures
writing motion memoirs as halls
pass folly sensors. A whiskered trick
has made them fixate mixtures
kettle-free as aplomb baskets ledge
the path. Center nights the way.

Incandescent credenza blotters
the drawing room's fine predation.
Rare sectors freed subtle textures,
their emblems translucent.
Lines vector sentiment's boundary
for unwearing guests, flashing
the last night's uncaring display.

Crossings

Vestal rumors imagine
Pilates transcripts overtaken
during remedial panegyrics.

Inverse scrutiny unravels the jackal threads.

Instant theoretical residue
puffs the imagined grip, raking
foetal amnesties from their subplots.

Conjecture evokes a nostalgic animosity.

Self-retrieval fast forwards
itself, an untracking device
remembered as the forgotten

whiplash of its intransigent vectors.

Dangling Palaver

remote central
vowels of angry particle

clipped

its rearing doodads shale

Art as its angry mentor
phalanges intact / the phalanx retorts
its watered divides

& biblical granite seals
desperado's vapid inquiry

a sum

the seam

of its

Dead Cattle Stampede

where hooves are thrown.

The jealous challenge to remit

dreaded relations

to satyr's touch

or lengthy filament

its splendor creaking

a meat scherzo deadly full reeking elemental grandeur specimens in parcel
post haste or rear entry whiplash taste near envy closed entity panders neat
regimen splashes

vertical laundering wedges

stating their delayed fixation.

Pledging accrued fealty patterns

a lengthy ambulation shatters

the peregrine's low amour

reckoning the weight

of its haunted stallions

Democracy in the Dark

Parthenon jitters
fringe the coop, a duplex
of complicity foretold

the henpecked foxes' coup / bedazzled

her three witches
cauldron as net
grossly speaking

under full moon's
mold of pentagram ids

Coarse secrets reek, dead plumage
ate the peacock's neck

The looming night hinge creaks
stealth / sneaks implicit reflexes
grooming cold gallows loops

for

her

betrayal

Desert Ark

the laundering vesicles string
their ampuled nostrils forth weathering tentacles
a fact or drawn beneath the totem sheets
clamoring primordial silence
in the blistered face its ancient vicissitudes
no matter string to match
where samples northward leather maples
there factotums blister sledge
withdrawn from sister particles
rampaging ledgers of forgotten legends
the bloom of their grooved assault
as mystical feathers upward
mounting vagaries their snatching force
timbrels counting odors sauntered
umber past limbering ballistics
project isles across freeways
swing upward mobility's latter
careering on its slippery treads
enraptured ductile translucence of emery
the forbears squint captured lint particles
donated to local emissaries ambassadors
attrition the nutrient folly of blissfully held domain
counted as careening weather
in the dyspeptic diaspora's distaste
toward lewd pleasures
accrued in fits of wasted synergy
the partisan logistics parried
its aquifers across the stormed dismay
as truant umbrage swings through nuance
aching glyphs make fluid lumber
to leisure the pleasure of all they dismissed
per factory policy defunct as riddles
squatting in the crossbed sea

Eastern Lights

Lasers blazing / sunset diadem
bedazzled. Circumference keepers
radiate tangible oranges

festered grape. Enunciation
whether stapled or transient
rhetorics all negative plumage

Weeping oracles, repugnant
prophesies their retrospective
pasture:

enamored sultans potentate
amid their clamor for plenty

Arable mystics ramified azure vestals,
bare vehement pillows, feather lutes
of their cross-stitched filament

Amid nasturtium trolleys
joyous follicles alignment

No avid plated shrill
abstract / vocables
blew velvet arcana

Edifice Wrecks

The frontage of it, manly, intestate,
percolates, stolid

as its tooled diameter intimates,
intoning virtuous realities,

an escalation to bitter exhortation

where pestilence seeks to follow.

No angel fears its mirrored dread

The anagram feeds dead kings their belfries,
of poor latitude.

The bellicose evanesce;
fiduciary glammers flattery

wherever clatters choose to tell

Empire in Decline

Spring in the afterbirth of pneumatic referenda
rapidly attenuates, the stigmatic hillock its tenor.

The shaft:

an enigma trestled
a honeymoon in stacked peregrine.
Its nettled fancy

the plunder, whose enamored frolics rule
dead flesh of rabid mentors. Their follicles crow

unnoticed, their breeding insecure
as crescents shriek their pilloried paths.
The Roman bathhouse, nude, obscures

the horizon:

a sunset dawn
trickling down

rhizomes of lost character

Evening Fire

stilted fortuna moon caterwauls
mendacious electric fences

eclectic parabola
tune ostentatious gazebos

tactile sombreros request

tactical pursuits
as laundry vicars
ecliptic ascension

moribund shelves trough tatter
clinging wistful hysteria
poppers alert the altered droplets

vicarious assumption

past conundrum litigations

irrigating lanterns
as forests of the night
rejoinder crystal speculum

candor trowels

enamored masonry glamour

scowling candles flambé.

Fashioning

interim parasol guidance couture
abbreviation's corneal panorama
mature espadrille omelet coronation
pigtailed wobble in goblet deluxe
sensations imbue slowing relation
to stratagem remorse, fitful as mordant
screams, precursor dim paramours
receding the trembling mist or its
blistering repose in the pineal tornado,
deliquescent coronado's reluctant peal
bemusing its tritone parameters,
regardless the bolstered foreflux
ventured its forth, reversal to directions
unknown or ventured, servile as a static hat
limping crustacean memoirs badly
cracked or tendered, summer vacant
stratagem deluxe nor ampere standing
to shadow, its nuanced invective
branding relief into weltered spectra
somnolent as dead imperatives
riding glacier herds across the artifact
of fashion, past luster or grating luminaries
brimming fashion on a spreading seat

Fertility Riot

A well-heeled zygote of despair
ovum angst. Fertility goddess,
kindred dalliance appeal

flattered, no faltering oven
quill mentor. Abundant global oddity
stillborn, hindrance dank alliance.

Issues of rank ductility
teal fabrics offering panoply logistics

crimson solidarity

crystal stolid.

Larynx implicit mysticism
thoroughfares corneal
extracurricular optical
salubrious. Bloody saline

indentured arboreal imprecations.
In pecuniary modules
distaff indications. Fortress lift
fecal clemency dispensers,
dental squalor.

Prenatal junction, hatcheries truncheon,
legends parlayed, crunching delayed.
Ratchet luncheon, prolonged allegories
allayed, septic ruins tuned to regal flux,
a flatulence encumbered

with perils or remuneration

Flagellant Wavering

fibroid nostalgia lament
perspicacious ruination as tenure
proclaims hidden majesty
plainly above fruit and related nuts
a colony funded under precipitate reigns
on a coital tapestry once removed
from velvet purloin saturates
vehicles under horse velvet
slushing centipede configurations
strewn absently across the crater
somnolent as the driven slush
equating rumination tabloids
with liver-spotted rivulets
making change for the envy
capsized under surgeon swells
of bloating ego well sized
for thundering capillaries
clogged as dry head juice
or lambent sluiced pigeon entails
harmonious aggregates entreating
staminated lanterns with choleric diffidence
plush as strange vessels
surging icebound over tropic urges
contained only by memory
failing its grade before testing
foaming plumage under yeast trestles
where surcharge surcease comes due
as fractal genuflection on the mountaintop
for fragile deflection of genuine currency
the ibid ate the hindmost quadrant
summarily insistent on brown vagaries
matching the lid of embittered tangents
crushed as orange peals the mass
announcement rushing to the surface
quadrangle hushed as varicose sentries
chart the rumored eras for tactile factions

looming over a weeping sky
or past mountains turned to ledger
under the chronological seepage
of indeterminate emblems striking forth
gears grinding through the furry matrix
incarnate with plush latitudes and fury
blockages presume dead feathers
entities occluded their own cavities
drilled in tight-step locket bursts
amenities said aftermath prayers
the vital belt its mortal looseness
coiling a snakelike grip at centipede millions
dagged their panel past nightly cloaks
erasing every trace under the sign
prohibited smoking divots from wandering
the portal's edge conglomerate with truth
and epithets eliding the gristle floe
holidays kiss under more than splayed
nooses for the needy on holiday
swagger the ornament tentacle grid
esophagus blinded by chordal foil
charged for every nuance
bakeries laundered or not
as protocol would have had it
under greased foreskin preludes
a rigor that cannot be applied

Front Line Action

Splendiferous entreaties
hobnailed at incarceration's behest
queases lunchtime savagery
with cold omnibus flutes
& a rebus attuned to accordions
booted and re- till gurgitation
becomes a metric procedure
offered as pederastic dentistry
serving fossils of the mind
a ledger of biased scrutiny
tilting mills in the overturning wind
effluvial photogravure a consonant
burning independent from its rotors
or foetal gyration articulated
under the verisimilitude of pom-pom trees
horned with legible vendors
lapsing the cornucopia's verb form
to frontal indenture as mental urge
seized its cache for vagrant dollars
wishing for tissued formats
under the chromatic veils
throttling the chests of unwanted entities
treasured for their tenuous doubloons
and shuffle board revival entries
scuffling in the arid sun
admixture ruffling clarified beatings
insomniac mantras lift the blackened sky
rendering the railway seating
naked as a blue caboose
under the weight of a sailing crib
wailing caterwaul sanctuaries
curbside bibs outnumbered & rank
as true thirst on a camel's laundromat
extending first rights to the privileged
wary of unbidden gifts
the taste of horses in their mouths

a wooden memory lasting as plastic
where former beauty fails its ploy
for a cacophonous coarse inaction
better dreaded than forced
the diaphanous spread of eagled mentors
winging their statements forth with
canticle leaflets proclaiming past destinies
from an orthopedic perspective
mired in plastic casualties

Frozen Movement

Cortical reruns fumigate the offspring
to desperate imaginings

of scofflaw veal

Will tenderness conceal its force?

Parenthetical obligations, unyielding,
their torrid fashion:

fruit
burning. Synthetic obligation
at a horrid tempo

beleaguers the winsome lot

Tactical apprehension uprooted
threats against blue instigation, their crossroads
aleatoric pharmacy rendering

studded pinnacles
their lowing efforts:

acidic caustic spectacles, ingenuous
breakage of snobbery

afflatus for casual vendettas
their nacreous tissue

as lavender traces
its segmented fury

a delicate pedestal of the making

Hot Pursuits

Impetigo sunset cradle
stables:

toppling, the crescent grail
lifts to all the somber riffs
their ladles misconstrued.

Applicants to sundown
sing solo ring finger modalities
totaling nonesuch fidelities

after hours.

A peril bearing gorgonzola sideburns

skips past disaster,
scaring sunset, hooves
moving

to thicken the alba core of troughs,
a non-restrictive ladder's adipose velvet.

Zen hydraulic lunacy
ricketing
on the thatched proof

of addiction's alphanumeric strictures:

a victorious trampoline
unbounded

Hunting Idyll

Ineffectual predators
remit their ample slants,
chap stains where omitted.

Clauses
sample bold lassitude

among wary scoundrels: seeking purchase,
stalking ampersands colonic highways.

Vacant seeds their past dread.
Silted stamens, tabloid screams,

apertures remiss the slandered nectarine,
tasting its nasty whiplash as silk

& carotid. Cravats
eke a pebble's blood terror.

Numismatic overtures impounded
stray leashes for bloodletting.

Carnivore haste occludes
pasted vectors, flower as water boils.

Their wasted sectors

permit boredom whenever

they kneel

to prey

Jaguar Seas

The caviar incinerator mumbles.
Vigorous heartfelt thunder mandibles
alliance. All the more cross

where naked toads eat scriptures
imprinting paradiddle sunsets.

Whether to willow the breath
with carrion, badge's loquacious lament
instilled its criminal coloring schemes.

Admixtures, infinitive plus desperado,
half-lives atomic, festive limpid nostril schedules
blasting past apothecary pleasure:

a farrago intent as jaguar seas

Jealous Invasion

somnolent trestle reductions
factor the utmost envy, fractal bids
to a sworn geometry

the vessel of increments delayed
denies the justice of its ingredients

wrestling omnivorous crescents
moons the full of all its phases
ruptured spleen or no

dissidence musters the foreground
swelling captions as cardboard tongues

master the uttered past entry, forbidden
among the slates owed the common tongue
barbarians gated at the mass

turbine grates fellatio
as caustic entry, the caption recedes
its bitter imbroglio

shaken

Jewels Off the Sahara

Zirconium's elated clatter
bursts saturated encomiums,
first inflation.

Strident costumes
faces bare

recidivist eyelids / neon blink.
Crystals ferment, amber flagons deluge
islands forward: to streams

no veil annealed.
Its ointment

pursued

platinum persuasion,
in numbers
a rabid jihad

if tributary blooded velvet

Key West Skies

gossamer twilight
impending nightshades clamor

for sundry
 ammonia's
 incendiary artifacts

brooding uncultured glue
asks to crass dismissal of sunset

streaking skies
fossilized as memory
sparks the lot

where post-triumphal pantries

meet intangible rations

Lapping the Dance

Luminal symmetry gathers
short notice motifs. For their ancient
raging paramour

chicklet obligato
inducts an entry. Conductors redress

libidinal ministries.
Acetates livid humidity. Carnal occlusions
coral riffs at the jaguar

clubs, bare
none, nor their entreaty

where hatcheries impede rare sentiment.

The goslings gather
nylon shortage, scrabbling their tone
to a garbled treaty

on
or
against

criminal thatchers
piling release documents.

Past a weighted pedestal,
reaching teeth cemented grandly
to the legend's
adipose verbatim. Custard

replayed with ideogrammatic bluster

too late
in tracing
the noon ellipse

invented
the unwedded umbilical vendor

sending late hostages home.
Intent weighed heavily on the garters
some conveyed.

Angry marsupial roustabout vengeance
crittered their long-split display, regardless

of centigrade theories.
Frozen invective, retrospective eyelashes

clash with forward rumination.
Eateries beaming soup's shattered bowels,
at grief with their cleavage,

offer nipples disdain to frontal view

watching

the voyeurs

unfold

Late-Night Luminarium

tabloid estuary
remembrances: an enchanting
embrace, her

emerald fecundity
a sap tree, a willing

tapping where lethal kiss imbues
its filter of sensations

brewing

the mildewed latex hovers
gloved as love among strangers
cropped

the furtive crescent

lingers

its tumescent figures

hint at the lamplit passions

impending beams among shadows

Life Laundering

Sectional appliance dividends
blaze sofas in bare laundromats
coupling the cotton sectors
to penumbral whims unshaken.
The mottled seepage reaches
full throttle wending past
weeping singles, threadbare
at the denim-patch. Looming
invaders metal forth advocating
change. Pocket or otherwise,
the promise pays with lint.

Looming Bloom

Anchored toboggans led the slaying
rift into neutral. Fear the cogward leap,
its dank fenestral lather. Incumbent
rhetoric assembled historic resonance
no further. Inkbled necessity, to come.
Bent the fettle burning aside. Its case
to leeward the snowbound
seaway

alleged sins of gross point.

Punctuated tidily as a host

growing against the brain

mightily the felt-bled crux demolished
luxury condoms. Toward the high-rise
the guilted fish inveigh

a holiday of letters

stricken with carapace

surround the sentience

of decayed betterment.

Tankers laying red tide redemption
stamps the purchase, hiding its cost
from feathered strangers waiting
to assault. The last of the blue parkade
earth tones the color of music

dissemble orchestral facades
that blink. The question winking
its fateful prey into placid
legumes

the maidens rhizome true fruit

initiating compost with bent voyages.

Trigonometric costuming cost postings
delayed their columnar frigate.
Strep aside for the mighty throat
declaiming thoracic magic
& cummerbunds

the mystic sisters trilogize

webbings of bridesmaids.

Contempting snowflakes assemble
the arrogance adew the naked pedal
leaking fated anagrams

of orchids straited

Luminescent Messenger

Deluded promontories preakness cables
where vanished flask enables the tender
surrogate influx remembered decibel heat
as truancy. Vast allusions prudent terror
ecliptic grooming weathers ore not cast.

Veins embossed the fury of bloodlit tomes
their horticulture decreased torpid lesions
or the dimpled pickerel matching sheets
as the bleakest quest of tracheal pogroms
seek hidden vaults of spectator dandruff.

Arid testimonials heat vacant lepidoptera
pools of eagles loomed pursuant. Doctored
appendectomies plotted the stanchion glow
turning illusion poured meat burning tentacle
transfusion regaling the beat of mustard gas.

Spectral resolutions perfect intransigence
keeping the blotted passengers ignored
as volleys. Fern lesions reflect dilution
slotted to follow simple visceral dandruff
coagulant basted luminescent messenger.

Lush Rife

Ornate cineplex transduction volleys
offset aperture. The plectrum, verdure
as ornament / the sacred came.

Their tabloid renown sequestered the harrow.
Berated.

Clouds still void the hated air

of its sympathetic nesters.
The dormant figurine retains
engendered sex fragments.

Jesters retain their fluid, loins and narrowed bells
a prophet

there but for the making

of it.

The perceivable ruin
towers, the plastered vision
its past scaffolds.

Electrodes ring the dormant
triad, configuring its nodal laments
as charged. Ions place atomic.

To win or show deems permission
from

lost equators seeking heat

to air their missives wherever neutrons foretold

all remissions past. Their due forever neutered

its secrets as the pattern's suited emission

Margin L

& the tugboat stuck in the ice floe
river catacombs death's needle climb
relentless among its fruitful spigots
tapped endless fingers against cold sun
once removed the forklift run against
leather bent mettle triplicating
shores complacent with recumbent
nations awarding passion spits
shoelaces at fried gumdrops
crossing amplitudes of dairied sky
wherever stalagmites are sold
under glacial counters the mammoth spread
eagles at sunrise conscripted seedlings
of maudlin terrain backed up miles
of sonocollage the city traffic
gaping wares of archaic ruins
under the flow of amperage
at home & at sea the foreign mist
captures its listening stratagems
logistically placed in the catacombs
under webbed sea or mercury
chemicals anonymous with their name
or forward brought the nuance
of grain rippling breeze at tippler's knots
forgotten juxtapositions of the young
lost to ancient ranks or custom
made the deep sea divers switch
the tune of the juke bomb's naked threat
glowing treatises in the dark
penumbral terrors shedding hair
at the very sigh of its rampant luster
a sense in essence particulate
or necessary for the truant's growth in absentia
or gardens of figs riding coddle frigates up icy shores
basted with rumps & ladders calling out
the *cogito* its whys & wherefores & therefores
molding the conscious fruit looming under foot

or fang the route must stay of course the way
must change the sensibilities of derangement
factored as totems in the grudge of ancient cities
ecliptic in the crescents of their arctic ruin
or equatorial ciphers stiffening essential flurries
dead-bolted to the native shore
accruing dead senses screaming cryogenic
memories made of mortgages and sterns
crippling the rudders of naked days
gone astray in the ferns the epic lost
to sanctuaries of sacred blood
& scripts encrypted for messengers
of the sun mooning subway stations
throughout history according spurious accolades
to the days staged without stamens livery
or loss accosting the truisms of the rippling
declined under decimate floe the mammoth wedge
obtuse in its sacred nocturnes the legendary camel
spoke its darkest days run slowly akimbo
& smiles at its lover's sordid request
a jack-naked pun racking unguent lotions
majestic turrets overlook the imagist's
blatant work rescheduled for other crimes
committed to efforts of intent
forthwith or rightly so per forthright bid
accounted for profits frosted under cherries
planted by terrorists of anal prophecy
the latter too thick to climb
or vary according to catacombs
the chosen fledglings climb to mutter
forensic whispers into daunted ears
claiming surfaces of pain endowed its trunk
within alien rights forbidden to muster
naked wrestlers grease their pits
with great creations under steel & sky
no wherefores attached as files or fingers
flying the butter to indiscreet a lifelong tabor
or mustard its plaster vent accumulating
frosted fists in aching sanctuaries

feathered with hoary vestibules
astringent catacombs losing winter's fist
against nautical tribulations waging tragic pursuit
& fingers clutching shadows of lassitude
as the rudder steers its plangent cheeks
to follies isolate benighted legends
in the dark or overcast parts
flamboyant as the naked shepherd's shoreline flock
that clocks the ruin of bastard regions
unknown to viscous kettles of kitsch
the legions pursue the locking wedge
across dander's mortuaried stylus
charting phony graphics as fledgling tables
edge recumbent toward insolent shores
bearing ladles of anecdotes embodies of concrete
metal for dispensation aside for better nets
of gross implements fecund as the ditty
overrun with trampling ampersands
breeding calico despair's exponents
ramified with the deities of cineplex
mummies' plasticine platitudes
instructed forthwith to therefore in haste
all due propinquity acknowledged
as the sword flies for vicarious palindromes
affected their lordly waste amid rumors
of testaments ungrown their fetid charcoal
the horrors elapsed with visceral fluid
poltrooned the vicarage of mediocre taste
its pestilence abiding its gratitude
with heartfelt affliction toward the suburbs
secreting the revenues of stolen rudders
endeared to igneous savants taking due advantage
of forlorn costs cradled in salamander
purple as the bid foregoing velvet trines
in grand styles afflicted their good fortune
many times over the riddance of pure inane
so svelte as to injure the rampaging tangent
voiding its content in the voting booths
of the truly insane multiplied their digital leaps

with mandibles occluding intangible lists
forgotten truth pelting the inured to diction
the hortatory consummates froth monoliths
implicit reluctance breeds fourth innuendo
the sequence perturbed at glacial sways
inordinate preening sophomores distending
the sauce-drenched campus of electoral colleges
extend forensic vessels the handshake of retribution
turned retrograde with no sonic intensity
the docedaphonic samples doggerel collars
in dollards of fiscal disdain with ample insight
legerdemain quickens its sceptral thrust
extends to landed rovers hanging in the gentry
whose class hoar breeds heathens loosely seeking
the dimpled morphology of lost tongues glossily
bequeathing simple stares to cross-eyed cults
a tack against the wall of remonstrance
aggressively pursuing the hot tips
of icebergs caterwauling the call to obsolescence
titanic in its bid against the libidinous antics
of adolescents packing parking needles
at the mall's weary esplanades
shading the statuesque bronze preening
through peroxide's bitter haze
the quarantine processes nutrients
incantatory at the helm
or needless the compass points to all dismay
the stories overwhelming blips in the radar system
detecting dead bugs on the windshield's concrete overlay
suspended among intestate cloverleaves
rampantly exiting the path of transience
in search of deeper grounds
& sonar to detect ciphered paradiddles
marching toward coded birches
swaying hulas on the lees
their ways & means committed to starch
the collars of the deeply committed
braying the truths of their dismay
to all the deaf who listen

Matters of the Heart

Myocardial infractions
perpetuate the regimen.

Horse pills drawn, without soot,
to linger, the last desperadoes
of a vegetable market.

The courier's penetration
withholds harmonic strictures
alien to a muse's bidding.

The regiment's retractions
denigrate the specimen.

A feast with without honor, lux
or splendor enlisted at the mantel
— nor juncture pursued as thread

lingering where the utmost hurry,
their bestial rendering of footnotes

to hearts of the least begotten

Moneyed Love

Infidel bordello massacre, low scrutiny applied.
Supplicant meters, well over the pride of mutineers,
bounty their half-shell umbrage. Slattern vector
sized importantly, recording: sly codes murmur

their thistle's autumnal grease. A panty hold
imbued first metric gristle, pleasing old tricks
askance their levity's whistle dance in the dark.
Venues happenstance removes the wistful tease,

encoding transferred. Groves implanted loading
teeth, their dollared grins slanted slightly inward.
Tightly inured to love's mutiny in shattered groves,
scattering authority's dusk to mendicant lenders,

rattling sages paradigm thrust their future
lineage, a paramount engagement: whistling in
the dark lutenist music, bending tonal cleavage,
mounting the spry murmur so ill conceived.

Morality Play

lachrymose cadenza
seizing Indian carpets
coastal omelet rigor

dead passions sway a winter breeze

false vestibules oscillated
to taste their fluted breath
sonata mint egged hostile

fashionable invaders prey the season

mentor husks eviscerated
intense as sacrificing odes
demented their laconic rigor

head away the reasons crashing inward

ostensible lusting influenza
breezing market lingering
laced a begged cantata nostril

cash in the way prayers ease outward

Mummy Dearest

Your coptic neon philandering pits
have riddled the cynics their vipers.

Amid the runic tuning pixel,
fruit adagios fall opulent on stakes

and lentil mentors
its taller waivers.

Whatever souffle
the centipedes beat their hasty allure
while your carcinogenic chronicle

nomads the necrotic waifs
who paradiddle their way

to chromatically reduced phalanges.

Their chronology's mandate of chastening
ones the other next

to pathology

its tattered music stand
tethered reflux, rendering verb

a pyramid lilted dead ostinato

Mummy Lenders

Gravid forfeiture, pride elastic
in glue,
 remonstrates
 avid humidior customs:

reckless imbroglio patent,
neckless shirt a bib to the dying

cross among them. Where
the market places win or show,
the races stuck on three, too sick
to go
 on and on and on.

Plastic messages smoulder
inside leather pouches belting money
or betting

 the colosseum
 where the hill used to be.

An outcome

 classic as boredom

 (an aside

to those in the boardroom)
boasts prophets past the break-even
pontiff

 pointing the way
 toward greener screens

Natural Rites

Blue triangular bitters forth
with dentate paramecium.
Plaudits tendril / wafer spread.
Groomed acoustic marmalades

meandering
plaudits loosed subsonic diadems

harmonic
in the phonic's latent hemisphere.

Bacterial legends grow auditors
in search of laundered diatribes
the conjugal potentates dissemble
as tribute to the facile jaguar:

snatch of ruins
brought the edge
its midstream

gathering forces discuss in delay

Offing the Cuff

Lantern ambiguities a lathered wedge,
incidentally. Retaining delayed congruency
suffices, fluent as the bright day brings
its own winged surface to play.

A taciturn fragment edged itself, burning
away from threats of truant surfaces
philandering in the main. An obtuse target
naked as its own revelation squandered
aching seedling, wonder sap snapping
pointless ignition targets. Concealed
where jointed aggression foreplay kneels
its battered hoof, amendment shattered
crustily as a magnate's torrid sledge.

Badgering the autonomic grating
that hedges along rooftop, sealant
enamored of acrid blessing charters
sunning, the morays of the land.

Whose art gleams electric as lighting, odes
indifferent tips to raincoat scholars
benched in the entrenching random fact
or diction emblem: pledging the chest
its undue crescent, or phenomenon
accruing lessons against the wind.

Its voiding ceremony, a tangential luster,
imbues sealant. Shed imposter agents,
corrosive daily affirmation schedules,
tilting liquid breathers to a space
at pace with themselves. As others
watch or swim, weather latches encumber
late radicals. Blooming valence tests
parching leather, hombres askance.
Particle domain ensured delivery status.

Unknown nuptial seeker at its last profit,
turning oval stitchery bonnet quagmires
before noon's impedance, croons its rushing
ballad. Among the crush of restive admirers

tilting their wills at windmill bonnets,
blowing haste against the flushed faces
tensed and slowly moving on, its wary moons
trace the stamp of legends lasting past
shadow's trace. Allayed, its latent fury
ambivalent to sonnet dredging or recompense,
incisions tantamount to incendiary gratitude
slur their derisive molecule ventures across
the seeds of slant invective, curling the lip
of vast overseers dead as their last proclamations.

On the Lynching Pad

Pentecostal lyricon fabric
emotes tendril dialysis stompers
gossamer echelons
threadbare to the last marsupial
candid vigor apparatus
bloated emoticon ware
a radiant shelf-life in blinding reflection
awe-filled visions of the past
caused elastic precision
amid willful invective seekers
transaction rueful semi-gloss automatic
indentured intellectual rigor
astounding as foetal foreplay
venturing from flossed benches
to seed the numenal decay
past roots of neon bleeding
ruptured sanctuaries of the hindmost
worshippers of flagellant semaphores
lighting white candle wicks
remnants of albacore foreclosure
on stated themes reckoning
imminent pilaster footage
a master of pillory static
maneuvers the blanched cart
tray facile as easy money feels
to those who squander appellants
under nights of gray conjecture
causing elastic derision
among placenta molecules
fibroid in their vernal insistence
on the sphere of cryogenic triads
smug in suspended immortality
raised fourth blood and risen
as chicle sticks in gravid rumination
molecules speculating rumors
of deep heat rendered tepid

as the forthcoming center
passing vibrant beats
over sleeping hormones
staggering in search of exegesis
and its cult followers
or mineral starch applicants in process
encumbered variables request notice
of votive numbers restless as lottery pickets
grooming hybrid granite arches
swaggering over prospective entrants
entreating the fallacious esplanades
to feet of flattened treachery
or accidentals berating harmonic entries
at the scaffold where futures long

Out of Time

The tumid obligato
junctures, the past its present:
encumbrance as
pistachio. Ledges accumulated

moribund essences
proclaim. The metric retardant
uniting the slated vestibule
as pocket changes

rhythm / purpose

Its rumor negates, lasting functions
the pedicures. Injunction past due
remunerating the last evident

abundances for tertiary clams
residue, its lasting configuration
remaining. Symmetrical anomalies
to the flight of the grand juncture

juxtaposed / just suppose

an ideology. As confiture
arose nightly fiscal reaps
denatured oceans spread

flaps. Opposed to negligees
of their administrations incumbent
leverage accrues at the poles

as praxis

Out There

dusty planet weeper
stirs / at the temporal margin
sequester the antique flood
a January, adrift

while trilogies whimper noons of past sediment.
Furrows calendar their cylindrical paste.

Resentful ions clinging, free
sentiment patrols its clock.
The terminal flood repasts

a noon. Target
quatrains its furtive measure,

nor syllabic, its compound sleep
a pleasantry assured its satellite
— if no other cavern should intervene.

Covenants as equally cumbersome

forward pontificating ruminations

Partly the Case

withered genitalia rebate
freckled somatic acetate pilfered
garbanzo flesh

annealed its willful sealant

subdued the sonic measure

owning the seeds syntactic ruin

pustule raptures genitive velocity
dative matrix venting ruin
upturned natives rampart legends
aplomb deter potato captive
essence freighted fraught impair

genitive rumination nurtures
classic abs latex solutions
as payback

beans sport the chronic leopards

wheeling ablative colonic ecstasies

additive fixtures tumult weddings

until all sorghum needs despair

Passing Presents

Intimate railroad softeners,
deluxe apparel in the offing
of drive-by displeasure, displayed
a daunting leisure in the face
of debt enclosures. Interim posters
load bettors, more often than
reciprocal pastry sewage burns
nasty tapestry fumes. Redux
the next measure. Often its receding
crux looms everlasting. Discordant
taxes haunt restless gossamer
bedding, a reddened ceramic future
broken. To carry on the structural
elimination blooms concrete extract.
Via duct or portal to incremental cryogenic
mortality fissures regenerate issue.
Flux tablet ratio fixations blasting
gaunt harbingers that spring.
Peril as pink flight didactic wanting
deadened disclaimers assured
breezes novocaine winds, a head
insured the threat of posterity inured
to flaunting goblets. Unloading
reluctant marrow lace regrets fondly
the threats historic wants renew.

Phylum of the Affluent

A thread of ancillary ambiguities
postulates the peregrine, fortuity
a gamble made as supplication
to threads of surreal leather
jacketing

the foreskin appeal of neon
swaggering, a Times Square
walk past decades past, or

futures trading land shark entities
as gossip wheels in their enmities
grand as empty boasts seal con tracks
bidding

the heartfelt passion, a freon
too cold to condition air or
others, sharing their wealth in

solitude or mansions. The well bred
seek to ordain a sacred currency
beyond the green or the golf course
gaming

in the current fashion, free
on bail or caterpillar fluff im-
ported by the important &

self-styled lords

preening their wealth

of insect passion

Rapture of the Shallow

The restive vigils prevalent suits
where transitive. Dichotomies hedge
festered leather suggestion boxes
grown luminous from orange rhymes.
Witness its own, some tested forage

and misses.

Arresting self-reflexive prophecy
girdles bitterly anointed litigants
pointing tongues at gestured flesh.

Their lugubrious assets
dwindle hair-tossed windows.
Luxuriant apostrophes candor
radiant synaptic apertures,

transgress nominal transcendence.
Vagaries implicit in handkerchiefs

swollen to apnea reels,
feeling explicit handles

rub their vacant dawns with candor

Rebellion

Incidental languor
follows, beloved absinthe
a mockery

downed as nectar. The figurines
tremble, emerge:

plausible rumination
exceeds its danger, the timbrel
urgent to banister capers

a vision
frowning its hectored
disciples to the past's dismay.

An urgent renegade
encumbers the pace of its candles

Retrograde Diversion

The inferential lucite scoundrels
remiss their referential needs: a tantrum
no statistic could utter
whether its foresight intended

or not.

Reciting nostrums
reiterating rude implication, no innuendo batteries
charged

what muttering intended.

Scenic palpitations dismissed
their restive substitutes. No festive quandary
delayed

their gesture engines, starting

motives intact. A swift removal
shifts

the entranced votaries

to threadbare luminosities

where publics display their

meddlesome fish. The reiterated
injunction abdicates nettlesome conjunctions,
delicious

as classic niceties linger, plastic

words their substitute wishes portend.

River Basket Redux

For bearing their clotted incisors
before the catalytic orifice

shrieking dalmatian
from spotted letterheads

torn between damn
nation's foresworn aquifers

and lavender's engaging
lamentation, a victual crew
delivers its pungent amnesty

to trotting
fiddlers. Under the roof

of campaign management, surplus deities

slide the tidy undercurrent
to cerulean bell-ringing insane magistrates.

A holistic ballistic trajectory

lampoons the ancient visors

green-brimmed under gambling lights

amber as water-thinned gold,

a dilution of presence
as well. As presentiment

largely endangered under scattered hooves,
its vacuum clings to the latest throttle

brushing

the fuller sanctity

found in the rushes

Rope Rage

The lariat's slow invective swipes
low imprecations,
sweeping across
furrowed boundaries.

A wire barbed
high as nuisance bites ambitious crawlers

and random entries bleating entreaties.
Escarpment dialogue breeds the transom,
follies abundant
as sheer negligee perfume

lifts its harrowing indictment
to incite
morbid scholars

abandoning

their sudden

requiem

Sasquatch Ruminations

Accounts of this broadcast may not be inseminated
while Sasquatch ruminations abound.

The maximum allowable depletion tank
persists

in ranking obligations. Watch
the last prankster: where his cast,
intentional strata feed the pool.

Its cankers score mightily
before the cross
can. Tool vestiges bulimic
a sandal. Retching ankles

speed candle's stride.
At the vestibule
the anchor soars
to vacant pencils.

Elimination foregrounds
the actress.

Beside, the meadow furls
a junkyard ostinato.

The weather may.

To continue,
press to. Lurking in,

the distant foragers the nest.

Who gathers
sleepers

continues, unrevealed.

Shadow Talk

Penumbral dissidents willow the tinder,
remembering implements fallow decay.
Impedimentary numeric coincident

swallow kindred, timbrels abrasion
below the nectarine. Choleric impotent
pillows its naked wall.

Consequence owes no lumber its peak.

Virtual umbrella tips balance the.
Catastrophic onomatopoeia persists,
its sunny face umbrellas noon.

Monad mirrored,
plenitude quills its gender enamel.
A fortress

of enriched delay

encumbers pronouncements berated as such as.

Ungracious in litigious rapture
under seizure contents the pressured mold.
Alembic cross-stitching measures

an azure fold:

enchantment

Shifting

The footlong obligato
to spangled mescal testicles
its moonlight's vacant heat.

Sundry eyes can tame. The lookout
speaks whiskers as the freak modalities
cordial ostinato

pinky outspread.

When metal seedlings cramp the sky
its metal ostinato vapors the vamping air

a necessity not long begotten
nor any creature of fortitude (musk essence

questing its meat pursuit
with hints of weighty dread

& odes (lost

to

lost deities

Slanging Leather Pursued

chalks the walk,
a barefoot pouch, the cheeky tans
"bitchin'" catwalk vocables

the talk of the town
manstanding clowns

hawking

down

neanderthal

gravities glad-handing
hi-five odes to stereo cavities,
analog to digital catwalks

Their hot torpedoes
turn avocado, burning

pork loins tongue their dead vibrato

not with standing
her slitted cabaret

Salons to the right of them,
saloons to the left of them

talking shit
taking heat

Idiomatic switchboards thunder
lightning dreams of displaced dew

Swinging lean

on Mean Street USA

her buns glow south, her

tongue talks a gat's bad walk

Gunning eyes shoot
blanks as stares, man to man
to men tumescent

her stalking

pterodactyls

bird the word

Sonnet No. 3

barrier climates tolerate ozone
carapace nostrils board delight embers
whose memory laces languid fumes
of memorious bindings
a fiction not all can endure

the creping verdure of terrace pastries
bore haste makers prudent
lethargies abundant flavor classic
its vertical chassis convertible lust
at variance with lasting albacore

scary as flaccid albatross members
looping April's sentient core
hard as nailed epithets
rumbling dreams of parietal nocturnes

Sonnet No. 4

Lachrymose cadenza frilling
subtle anodyne maneuvers
quantify the gosling's habit

rendering incense a matter
lit with little consternation
or hubs of balloon tenders

fried as the seminal onions
of their painted disregard
hatcheting the swift battens

closure as threaded remnant
a carpentry lost to summers
fertile ratchets that tighten

the throat of the last glissandi
stretched from choking notes

Sonnet # 5

Sentimental legumes at the bayside stroller:
integral appliance merger, consequence reset
while tethers cost leather its plumage.

Ethereal fainthood runs its flippant mileage
per incarnation, whether unflowered or not.
Sand feathers broth against the foolish lees.

Daintily the weather assumes a much colder
view. Into fierce urges, an immense pleasure
regrets it slew mergers where the triad bled.

Murmurs hesitate to pour the ashen grace
its rhizomatic fury. Tendril mashers imbue
their urgent secrets to hurried, unfed motorists

climbing from side to side in the hierarchy
aslant with flights of new incidents dreaming.

Spectacle

remains / to be seen

glass showcase panorama
luminescent noon delight lacing class distinct
shuns pyramiding populace adrift

lingering

its rudder secured

Standard Form (Two Choruses)

ballistic serpents
cochineal embrace
tone cluster mix

ad hominem the face
of their intent strangles
a neck of empty gestures

autonomic wreckage fascinations bloom
trenchant muscatel bouquets chronic

thinkers doom
the facile hedge
a slate embroidery

of balladic intents
a supplemental music
instruments lust for

a hymn of maize
and grace, bent
toward nestling

pleasures decay the sustain's attack
looming over autonomic transfer buckets

implements slice
the tune's incremental
harmony fixed at cluster

Standoff at Low Noon

threadbare gossamer candle holster
bereaving parallel dead men sockets
alabaster oddities where handles gloss
the raving urbanity treading city streets
crossing breeds disdain a dread of puberty
ashen rites trolleyed down to hollow peers
near the waterfront uncovered no standard
bearing the fruit of nomenclature
nor the thrust of its long obligato
toward arboreal stratagems luster on the transit
monopoly transgendered the rabid nucleus
of the oligarch's persuasive anatomy
killing song with little noise or bruising
ruptured concepts teeming with legends
applied toward the purchase of any brick softener
no strings attache in case the adagio shudders
its feeling mentor bent over a latent eel
no squidlike protrusions to the commentary
engendered reflux in the face of distaste
incipient reaction grid action grilling dispatchers
to the omnibus plurum forefront decay
demolished the pantry of its isolation
fugal sentry that he was free on appeal
to higher conundrums than can decree their ruin
a central assembly dispersed under
a polished grin and spittle to the forefront
the clamor dries its dirty laundry
airing the masters of balancing jackals
that hide authorship of intestate frigates
of irony foretold or emboldened
through repetition of sustained admission
to ripple subterranean glissandi
their stalagmites braving a fossil universe
in creed gibbering aortal fantasies
frolic the tabloid gospel on display
in tenant fenders the patch-quilt dynamo

hunger referees of cross-stitch enamel
prosper from glamorous cellulite panels
imposing their propagation alert
flaunting actuarial abnegation specialities
at maximum furniture outlets
disingenuous staple massacres
upheld sonic fertilizer umbrage
in rank muscatel parlors
chronically bitten through carved jars
cameo outlets disappearing on camel
or an otherwise stretch of water
asserting states of surly gentility
regardless of whether it blinked

Still Moving

as moment / as line

traces behind its moment

to snatch it / freeze in time

the animated / inanimate words

suspended animation

still, moving

the line races behind

the paper's frieze

still

moving

at / the moment

the words as present

still / moving

Stress / Release

Flagrant lanyard bastions
occipital fashions in laundromats
laced

yards away from turmeric frenzy.

Precipitate faces bend an ardor

back

toward

its

origin, cast forward with renewed
indifference. Centripetal peddling
traces

itself in word seeking
outward transfusion

blood

circling

centrifugal

against its top-down convertible will
to take

a summer's day

spin

/

off

Studied Contrast

anti-venom serial mix
known to phenomenon hemisphere lentils
average
 the savage frosting
 fixture as medial entrails

tossing valerian coastal reckoning
turning thicker than balding ventricles
burning the ottoman to mix

weary of fixed borders
leery of wastrel passenger fixation
belated entries
 hated their stifled waste

2.

lyric on fabric softener
box proclaims redundant artifact
or
 average predilection elixir
 massage verity occluded

thickening mastery of choked articles
screening
 the spleen vents lavender
 the grating prefix orders

a royal luxuriant scabies

 chromatic elegies

 to euthanasia

Sweating Gentrification

The stealth of integers notwithstanding
their capered tenements must crunch the crude
remnants enumerating landed entry.

Toward the waterway a last coarse
hordes, its fiery thread of quartered meters
hostage to lording isolate satires.

Projected over cummerbund mayhem,
unstitched under transfixed threats, more treadless
stairs flare. Late volley, fixtures

implicit. In derringer plumbing
neither agates nor crystals can flume.
Shore to mountain, fissures agape

its serrated notch: a compliant contraband,
bringing all fourth instruments home to number.
Nerve endings riff the red arboretum blue.

Its wealth a serpentine playground,
illicit customers swim. Fiscal tides on, breakers
remunerating their blood's last itch

Taking Stock

1.

Pentagonal pillories unshaken
pilgrim / vassals merge as forefront
A vault guard naked trestles

the fault at half-mist
their sutras unbound

Flagellant vapors curry half-wit sonatas

Intelligent life at its trellis

hurry across roads to get there

Sampling aleatoric passengers
fully-throttled equestrian clamor
nightspots unguarded or caged

hammers feldspar / Mute throng harm
on trumpeting until hushed voices

2.

Inanimate ventricles inoculate
impulsive diatribes, persimmon
as flaking as the nostrils get

in their overblown exemplar tweed
So twisted as the grave's wind lowing
volleyed faces / pencil blood stiletto

Dense as letting peers milk
flow to mouthward dawn

intangible blinks immense tears
as lingering moves on

3.

Pulsations quicken / gravel night
unraveling sutures of lost continents
well plundered / The abstract flicker
that quickens olfactory conflicts
collard by the color strands
articulate verbs against thick image

Slow thunder vacant as the light
follows timbrel flashing tensions

Articulate the trophy to spectacled nuance

Enamor the sector / where vapor floods

its nectarine tissued to goblets

grazing fondly at the noon

Tangential Manifesto

Tangential discographies unite!

The face of safekeeping
boroughs, the laundry pledge
aquifers. Notwithstanding
the illusionary trudge, whistle stops
at all catacombs for crossing

Stunted infinitives
philander the beckoning garbage heap!

(Asunder winds have blown
below the oral. Catacombs
desire for gothic flesh

Enameled platters fish planarian banners!

Demented orgone retention,
ergonomic comfort blanket,
the earth pedals viscid troopers

nonchalant peripheries
central

to artichoked hearts!

The Differences

Silted quiver, fervid
the tender snaps, drag on
plumage cotton puffs

its stamens known for rigor

as follicles their refuse.

Forbidden rivers, turgid
as slender fops bragging
tumid sots & cufflinks

its raiment poses vigor

chronicles their diffuse airs

Stilted living, urged
to render forms sagging
amid clots, archaic thinks

derangement senses quicker

fares, their effusive tonics ill

Tongues Talking In

The ghosts of language speak declensions
ad nominative.

Plural music: notes the case.

Quicken-

the marsupial deadline
tonguing carrion vowels

-the dread

comes to break the past conundrum.
Its pocket syntax, the vestibule configures
late guests as space. And each inters

its reciprocity:

the coiling tack

of conjugation

Under Twilight

Random flagons gratitude
a softer tune annealed. Striations
feed lofty tandem.

Let the kneeling recess

loom.

Phosphate indulgence
gender wagons teal. Blooming
recent tampers

the softer needles

that

crescendo dusk.

Humid, parsonage
hunts wheeling velvet plumage,
tusks as bidden:

lofty songs

less fortitude

dim innuendo, lust

Upping the Ladder

Cistern lumbago sunset renewal
calibrates rural diameter offspring.
Threaded entries iterate tension skies.
Enameled parvenue trammelled offerings.
Cuffs rotor linked tomorrow's rough glitter
entreaties. Foreground applicants went
number than canceled enumeration.
Enough counting underwent mounting
innuendo ladders. More intent on clattering
than resisting letters, new parameters insist
on vacant tatters, adding another ill pursuit.
When it relates to resetting new vents
the clamor bedrocks berated seals
against ascent. Whispers climb wet
centers, feed on dead breath.
Whenever went before them last,
made the first return, counting earnings
untenable. Fractious sentiments accrued
looks of furtive ledgers, stolen by decree
or tactic. Actual plundering berates viscosity.
Eager deals went on and on, venting
splenectomy futures: batter garlic pretensions,
a somnolent ooze. No matter whose mentor
ventured loose, invention preferred to choose
a better motto. Incendiary fixtures loosened
throttled ambition megaplex varieties. Annexing
negative pediments begrudges the nest
its fixed addresses. With excuses to match
fires with light pigmentation, a sample testing
its amble to fruition. No futon massacre
encumbered wreckage onslaught, nor past
diameter vendors regardless of fuselage.
Evident tacticians recede, irreverently
discoursing the surge of referential dialectics,
urgent as the scourge on their ascent.

Urban Haunts

Sonorous gossamer contract threader,
deluxe ruminations a penthouse foregone.
New rudders of sentient didactic
tousle the intact but reddened imitation
sconing buttered waters. A sylvan misery
misbegotten, stadium entreaties belong
under the tight hew, a new residue
of the long forgotten short of it
gleaming. Onerous deadening factors,
lipid to the bore but real to the aureole,
fly a crescent livid festoon. Archery
before thought zens impedance.
Enamel gourd frenzies lattice when the
boundary lessens, the temperate
brewing serious. Obdurate lee snatchers,
imperious, with the goods showing lozenges
under their slanting banned velcro lids,
share bedlamite tonsorial futures
where jackdaws claw under median
divination's rancid trance mosaic
or say revenue chairs play musical
absence. Under their praying, vectors
heir to intense retractor shredders
ensure montuna zombies inherent bliss
or physical plenitude, as the need
may replicate. Savage splendor gourds
rewarding somnolent gossips their true
apportion of squandered apparition
juice as reparation for substance
or abuse as throttled headgear presents.
Lavender sullies loosened wandering
gully rituals. Invested with nominal headgear,
trumpet messages brassy substitution
clamor. The enamored vacant for footage
as a wavering multitude's self-encroachment
desists the threat of its crystal glamour

pattern. Aching among delusional dynasty
fabrics, torn dysfunction rumors warn
the timid to stay the fray of its calling.

Urban Music

Bassoon: as tuna
wedges fortune's grease, detergent
nettles the acre.

Age of Wonder Bred:

BUILD EIGHT BODIES STRONG WAYS!

Mortuary tunics await. Tangential
ruminations. Inversions turn mordant,
salute their moribund cities.

Nightshade inherits the bloom
others death. Erotic multiples,
urgent as breath. Of life internal

Urbane Reflecting

Peripheral lucite panegyric triad
loosens the fad. Tending ocular riffs
or lifting magisterial precis assemblage
lightens before dawn triangulation
banners, gone despite the padding
comforters of cotton-mouthed rhetoric
swamping their designer moccasins.
Where kinder templates renewed,
old transparencies rendered ineffectual
as gifts of precise intention flattered
the gone. Before its rendered artifact
or tactic long vented in the cold,
breezing verbiage kept it, withheld,
apparently, or less, a sorely invented
triumph, raging at the empire gates.
Or, under a similar grating stance
of circumference, arrowed straight
as the faded arc the triumph displayed
along the inquiry's projected line.
Their pantry horses uplift illicit spirits,
ferret omnibus satchel chasers
from the weeding recently overgrown
to proportions whose distortion rings
true to overtime goblets at the carousel
mutiny. Apportioned a backslider's disarray
or noon spent betting hedges on transfer
relays, legends crash against a regaling moon
at half-crescent. Indecent implosion
regrets its half-time denial. Its course
races through, slender subtones chasing
the last breath of its jaded lament.

Variation # 1

constipated reefer caries neon grills
the onyx leper traps its dated quill
massages information the tuner
whose riddle imperatives regnant wafers
construes pregnant as glands

rates defer till aries on
horizons leak pepper chronic
apertures its antihistamine vigor
scarlet crook shanks crawl
struck in the middle of it
right now elation hits trees
in bloom as riddles become rank
ostinato creeping vines
to school pour sundry lotions
tanning leather paunches
behind shades of crayon
the neuron frigate dilates carrion

Variation # 2

Constipated reefer caries neon grills
the onyx.

Leper traps,
its dated quill, massages information.

The tuner
whose riddle imperatives regnant wafers
construes pregnant as glands.

Rates defer, till aries

on horizons leak pepper:

chronic apertures.

Its antihistamine vigor
scarlet crook shanks crawl:

struck.

in the middle of it.

right now.

elation hits. Trees in bloom,

as riddles

become rank

ostinato. Creeping vines

to school
pour sundry lotions

tanning leather paunches.

Behind shades of crayon
the neuron frigate dilates carrion

Victors' Breadth

Cantilevered mutiny
throttles its catchword shrug:
plutocracy as solar

system

Incarnadine beverage incarnate
a carnage serving leverage to all vertical mystics:

penisware terrarium omelet
calling a gauntlet, familiar less than other

(its ventilated gall

a fixation.

Crawling vespers raise the night.
Planets at orbit:

squander inamorata
enumerate sacred inoculations
sequester ancient parodies

its history / eats
itself

Watered Sport

As wedded flagons teak their heat
at isometric procreation
the laminated

holler aches fructose.
Blessing squids the morning.
Peregrination trolleys

regenerate approbation
to chronic lasers doodad.
Questioned entities sublime
ate collard dandruff. Animated

dandelions,
pink as verdure,
the crippling scent

constabularies the razored link.
A nation presupposes its glossy brew,
the telluric steeling its pentagram shuffle.

Acrocentric harmonium periodontics
textural isotopes. Defragment

the hard-earned sex drive:

acrostic, the midships

motion's hail

What Comes After

the gonad, its contiguities
the upshot

so, to speak

its glandular evocation:
testosteronal fluidity sanctions
a symmetrical frolic. Sweats

trickle, a forethought mentions
sweet aftertastes; its crown had spattered
meteoric rivulets. So, the rise

encumbered
its tensile wishbone,
remunerating the gastric.

Genuflect

pause

intestate

the moan

Whipped Prairies

across the board the tethers fly
punctual as a forgotten deity
or misplaced colon in grammar's grippe

in testament to the verdure
oral fixation whips
its luster morally daunting

the blue suede suits of flagellants
punctuate la rue with western lashes
whipped to media mix

with catatonic trolleys
replacing the fruit of lost visage
their unctuous veneer clings

a jolly assemblage
setting free the singing chorale
of cows buoyed

with studded commas to holster
the cost of their sampled dredging might
bluster bravado's caustic flay

Willow Moon

delta gridlock fire
mustard seed encampment
conjures mystical aquarium

swordfish of the mind
enjambment, personified as dressing

clacks on welter
microtonal creeds abeyant
creaking lunar at their call

Wind Words

deafening left the dead toboggan
to sledge its nascent drift
at thunder's hedge
where fixtures of dainty ruin
clay the potter
tunics bent with language barriers
correcting slits of tethered tongues
their actuarial fixity
declared tangential as the plain

for sentencing the coma
to punctuations of lost effigy
the host straddlers daintily accrue
florid temptations of tea
left strumpets awash their torrid desperadoes
a nation of continuum
nomadic as the heard among the colonies
of deaf flinging triads
across the ear to depletion

or its first choice
a legion of symmetries interlude
toga voices exude the fog of dismemberment
ecstatic cling to laundered mats
the missed begotten in their absence
unborn to acquiesce
forever breeds duration
of wandering formats forgotten
with antihistamine bliss

the referential disdain all fortitude
as snow drifts blue sierra
slogging foetal amplitude to autumn gray
the withered leaves of steer protest
foliage of dead poets
uplifting seeds of anima
to frost that seeks completion

Widening the Gyros

never the twain
shall mark the meat
butchery
is its foregone sweep

racing against steak
the plummet cries

its pained shark
sweet to the touch
so much so that
the sty may live

unherald its coming
tuesday's armaggedon

weep for the massive
who know no better
or share the gambol

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