First Edition

BIG

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Introduction

Do you really think I'm that conceited?

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Big Mud

Sing with big muddy water
Emanating brown waves
Mucking up with bass
Crashing giant against unseen shores
Mixed up silt on clefs
And teardown trees with harmony
Making joy from ugly
Making friends with depth
Bragging about what is lost
Losing to criticism in the murk
Light pierces water
To create symphony
Bubbling CO2 to breathe the air
Breaking glass for the solo.

I'm a Big Boy

I'm a big boy.
Long dick,
Long skirt
I'm a big boy.
Scratchy beard,
Scratchy thighs.
I'm a big big boy,
Big muscles,
Big dresses.

I make my decisions each day, by the light of a bidet which to choose there are so many pick blue, or pink, or just black I wanna rock it all for a penny slap you up if you talk smack reveal what I am, then I'm in bliss This is a sight you'll never miss

Big Ideas

Big Ideas Run and sprint and fast and jive Contain? No, I'm taking my swan dive Sugar fueled escapades New friends and old drugs Blast the music, blast the past Memories overwritten Shark fight, knife fight Cannot hold back this hurricane tide Try and bye, hello and I'll die If I stop at all, stereophonic ball I can do all the dances Rick's puppet, I follow cadence In a band, in a march, Thrumming on into the night Can't stop like Keidis I'll drive to high five This energy unquenched I'll be happy if it doesn't kill me

Though fire's inspire my flight, I persist in a vacant state, Closing doors to peaceful friends, Anxiety consumes, love falters.

This broken horse Lives my spirit I frail - behind bones Perspire - wrecked Devoid. - Destroy. I fly - I succeed Though dead - I win

Big Opportunities

Lights, in Gears chug gatorade Fluid flies for more Streamlined thought bubbles Swoosh through throught Racing corvettes through Primed canals Explosions in the sky Backdrop a hundred muscular stallions Burgeoning urgent messages Even internet speeds zip and cannons sound off counting down their gunpowder Like a formula 1 race Trodding to tapping to flickering From slime to paste to smoothie Thin light brings interstellar peace Through harmonies craft Extravagant explores thrill themselves Trilling high and low Skipping as fact as I can Fast form to energy This thing is definitely on 12

But We Could Be Friends

Put your face into your hands We could be friends I won't be nice to you, but we could be friends

Pink Panties

The dead girl had pink panties It was the joke before it was tragic Chubby beards laughed till blue To assure their wives they loved them

There was no matching set for her or a shining knight I did my best to clean the scene Don't worry, I wasn't the one to rape her

How can I provide for those I don't know I can play god if I try
No broken necks complain yet
I could wear her shame, if I like pink

They ruined her life for media
I practiced my words to fit into a script
Giving blood for time
I thought we all wanted to help.

It's all in my head, I said
It's not a big deal
Not real, not physical
The blood checks out
and the hormones are straight
"Just a regular old 22"
The doctor said
I parrot idioms
and explain medicine
It's just those demons
Like monsters under the bed

But that's the problem
I want to be in my head
I didn't think it was vacant
It lives here, it's comfortable
That's why I need help
Because it is in my mind
and I wanted to use that
I need this brain.

A Big Pan of Pizza

A Big Pan of Pizza
Big pan of pizza
One through eight
Each try is worse
Trying to drown my misery
Promising more math to myself
As if I enjoyed that
Waiting to be penetrated
Losing out to hunger
Bubbling over with guilt
I'd wanna share if I could
But I need to count to eight

Big Antlers

Big Antlers
These signals are inopportune
Raise your head a different time
I don't need your emotion
Not now, something later

Your antlers cue envy
They cue me downtrodden
I love their fractals
But hate why you raise them

Your antlers are loud signals Songs of mourning Songs I disagree on Bite an apple in the snow

Signal a change I'm sick of these hates Bring back smoother heads The anters are inopportune.

Big Poetry

Big Poetry The big man is evil Factory words Slimy-silky handshakes Rhymes all the same Grind to the top Dash to the bottom of the page Grit and coffee moves the machine side-to-side Printing money Enslaved writer-workers 10 dollars a word But none good enough Go faster, go harder or even go faster It doesn't matter Big Poetry is evil.

Big Rubber Ball

Big Rubber Ball This big rubber ball Outside catastrophe Latex protects Sealents divide Rolling in comfort Rolling in style Spin around my finger 'Till it crushes me Play around like drums See me roll healthy See me bounce to sickness Can't trap it, it's gone Rolled on to another sinner Too big for one woman That's me, the recent sins Sing 'till the plastic and the rubber have choked out my voice help me bounce help me roll until it settles again.

Voyage to the Big Land

Voyage to the Big Land Making hardships and selling seafarers they are new partisans and the laundry-wearers

Give them the best Better than deserved Never a moments rest the whip was reserved

Get 'em to the stocks Black skin; no light None given. In shock. Seeing product without might

Vengeful words
Bring 'em on home
Selling paradise for birds
Ending with nothing but bone.

This Big Sky is All Mine

This Big Sky is All Mine Float, appreciate Fly, commiserate My song of the south Settles to gold clouds I own you for as far as I'll ever see This flesh bleeds cotton And eyes of rubies Scan horizons Unknown for as long as I want I can explore anything I own you for as far as I'll ever see Ripped jeans and Sequined ties Flapping blue in my expert tailwind Ascend to heaven and get lost in the sky I own you for as far as I'll ever see Don't chart 'till I'm done Crazy circles dream in my mind

Oceans of Bigness and Blueness

Oceans of Bigness and Blueness Wailing waves and taciturn textures Each provoking their own harmonies Drunk on salt and blue wine My feet undertow and head taking blows Draping comfort sheets Lilac-gray over my cheats I mashed and mashed so brash Struggling to stay afloat Gracious sleep under the deep and shipping rays for which I pray Destiny does call like a punctured ball Drowned and smothered dragged down with the others My heart is blue, and yours too as soon as you grasp me as soon as you name me for I am this ocean so blue

Big Breasts

Big Breasts Big boobs Like the kind that you wanna use as pillows big, round, and brown Everyone likes 'em Don't get me wrong, B is fine Nothing extravegant, just attached to a human that's what we like complex stiffness, a little hairy just two from you and a sight to see any part of you is enough but for me, I like to see Big boobs In any shape, size, or color!

Untitled 4 The television show me the end of the world Everyone gets a different channel Galactic clusters collide and fade No camera man Like a baby's mobile, doom spins Really just toys But it's there, it's happening I'm watching it I guess if it's is the end, then I've got nothing else to do It becomes home If you spend 24 hours there, consecutively Yet no one sees what I see Confused signals and stacic-y stares You can scream And try to alert the authorities But no chance This channel is yours, yours alone.

Untitled
When all your paintings are roses
and all the paints are pastels
Then you can admit to being brighter
And then you can find a way to be tighter

Where all the skirts are short and everything we blurt is long and kindly Find satan with his makeup on Even they with hate want to be called pretty

Whisk the beach sand into a bowl Create your vegan eggs, with smiles Then you can find the easter eggs And then we can blind the master who begs

Depression makes happiness whole Happiness makes depression care.

Shapes

In shape My shape Pick a shape Wanna be an apple? "Pear!" Wanna be a banana? "Kiwi!" They shout at you to hate you. They aren't the shape they wanna be either Unworth of love because your lipid deposits Your genetics define your body but you define you You could choose to devour water and trim fat But it won't make you happy Pick a shape My shape Your shape This body of yours only needs to spell 'love'.

Channels of sprite
Lemon lime fills my veins
Brings out these pains
Electrically trite
Losing meaning with each beat
Speaking freedoms with each reap
Harvest tacky liquid
Enjoy seltzer lipid
Consume angel wings
Affixed to float caffeine
with pumping blood benzene
while all my tears sings.

Shepherd call me to your flock These big glasses let me see the way the path the truth Crook a staff for my tender neck

The giant lenses pierce fire to the field, part of the pack I am who alights the grass Ring of roses around our warmth

Crook metal cage around my face I see out, but they
The herd see disfigure
The man in the robes trusted me

Two mistakes
Break peace for sunshine
Illuminate the path
down the mountain to the storm

"The hard part is letting people in", they say. My coffee sins are easy targets. These deranged words ought to speak volumes Loud to override your capitulated idioms. More power than drugs and love. Words explain hateful thoughts and drown sad men. Part of the process to convert mothers milk into funeral ashes. I breath crime and penance, just ask my words.

Corpse-grain springs from magic wounds Healing blight for a payment of sun When I'm back alive and my nightmare swoons take harvest from life and pinch for fun

We don't joke with reanimators paradox But appreciate vitality from each season All hail master ticking clock When I kill you, I'll die but I'm not done.

Upended position Refined derision Mind competition Defined contrition --leads to a gape astray a way no pay —-inner process: hate luck-spades no time to trade come play in hay lean away, no may --because try comprise no-down lies uptown buys live accessorize --friends who demean extreme fly up slim size love the up above

but no shame in the game

This is water
The female fish said
She sung to me
blurry and bubbly

Never inhale water twice We breath water our wholesome existence Fish die before humans

Love sings in water blurry and bubbly Step feet like pound drums Flap lids like shake tree

We live in water with sexy fishes and less light water is good

But cannot inhale water breath existence or love fishes

I say surreptitious repetitions

Untitled

Iron lines grasp
tired eyes
Painting pictures through
clearing pines
Exceeding beating soul
binding turmoil
To words I see
towards the sea

When out of rhymes I paint clouds in the sky Puffy letters, wet and meaningful A painter-singer-songwriter

Discussed friends go bust Analyze fire drives No room in worlds room for all our plans to bloom wanna love; get shoved look above; anticipated buzz slant brands stare damp when I try, I try, I try.

Untitled

My anger pains hurt you more Don't know why they call me afflicted Wedding vows with plus one more Acoustic strings snap alive Hisses guided into boos Transform these problems to religion Dance into comfort always But life doesn't play Music like this has no beats I'm angry at my shame Forget the state I'm in, I always do Drop more rungs Your roof too high Standards too low Bleed me organic one more time And I'll forget my promises I promise.

Big Love

Big fish Reel in with date-rape bait bet you wholesome clean the guts best intentions Travel down south Land of evergreen pines Long and sharp Big and tall Love in a backwater boat Important to the fish Crucial to the bait I am a fishing man no tradition but the rifle No kill with a rod But I love to fish This love you feel when I date rape your mind custody complete This lake is a prison keys to the catch Showing big rods and big love

Untitled

Rape is a word with more power than any man can contain Influence cities Pestilence to a mind a curse on a body This abomination is a word More power than can fit in any one person This struggle to hold we understand but though we grasp it, I plead you to consider the power that you grasp in your hands Rape is a word.

Untitled

Four letter words

I use to express
myself:
love
hate
spar
duck
home
lies
Three letter words
you use to express
yourself:
try
lie
flv

I respect your decision to put in less effort than I do.

----bye

Scenery Tiles

Two idle fairies Grant me reminiscent thoughts Patterned blue mosaics that dot my eyesight Like I stared at the sun too long Designing a better rememberance Are preaching: calm level harmony But are cold to the warmth Though I waste not and want not pictured passions dazzle me beyond an ability to understand as the human I am.

So I dance from place to place Gazing and remembering Forging new memories in the tiles and the scenery, wherever I may find them.

American Fruit

There is a pit missing the cherry the color of valley girl hair with quiet smirks it sneaks down into the strip coal mine that I thought we'd played in it glows sweet in my mind though I picked the stem and all fruits have hearts akin.

Though straitions abound young skin counting in the rings to the first time you know that sometimes I won't care every line is progress, not a scar when burly men glide across the mountain sides Appalachia on a budget they don't see trees, or rivers, or you they reveal bridges, haunts, and parks, things that we needed to betray nature not the vitality already regrowing things we miss but do not love

because their appreciation is taken from their ingenuity and arrogance Big

when properly found, you, as a metaphor for nature are a gift, not a treasure and when discovered, the labor required finds calling through an ignorance of purpose leading away from things missed and towards things found, that is the reaping and the sowing just enough to be kind but not generous and unfair american fruit.

Cat

The cat on the wall tells me she sees me with eyes that dangle back and forth it scans mesmerized for signs of life unkempt hairs on my chin radio out for me

Martial silence keeps heart beats at bay with every tick of a creepy clock I ask if she is listening, too, because each of her senses seems misplaced

first-apartment cheap wallpaper attracts every eye in the room from the judges decree we cry internally at unfinished business but ignore it to step towards another laugh

when I'm tired I think of her pendulum eyes slipping on early Fall icing and what cakes we make, hot boxed car but ignore it to feel like better people

dance with me, cat, the slyest of them all disturbed but mostly alive in my mind every step up to your pulpit, when I hear it,

is a tapping reminder of the beat of our short song.

Being With You

Being with you is like...

Running to yoga, the six hours before the war ends, staying awake in kindergarten, and drinking chamomile whiskey.

Gods Front Porch Steps

I am here on the high mountain I have been here before

But each wind tendril or missed songbird gasp is a reminder

Of the time lying down. Speaking not hearing. Doing not being. I am on the mountain.

The front porch steps God built. The ascension from the valley to up higher towards glory. I am on the front porch steps.

Have You Been Good to Yourself

Have you been good to yourself? In the woods up north Does the maple flow into your mouth? Or does the drink pour from any of a million taps When the treatment comes down From the docter over your head The white coat will blind you And be irresponsible When you leave the dealership does the car crash? Or does the highway stay clear? In night or old age, in Marianas or Polaris. Will you find the soul of your child Will you reach a dirt table? Or will you live forever. Will you arouse arrogance continually?

Just to find that You are good to yourself.

I Was 23 When I Dropped

In a social group
We were healthy and young
And comaradery
was our greatest strength

We wished a trip Across the universe Beyond our minds And our house

But the devil inside us Isn't always quiet When we need it It's not really our fault

But I was alone with my own self not because I was weak But I discoverery that I was healthy

Just for the day Two hours later I was beyond coffee and cake

My friends left
They were 'good'
and then the burning ring
in my stomach alit

Now, there are two things I hate the Flu and a Bad Trip

But close enough, I looked down and commented "Ugly" On the starstruck rug

Primary colors are beautiful to me The green on red and blue Designs this was designed for me

Not here Not now Please don't The agency was scattered

Time to go
Time to go
This trip has taken off
Time to go

My shoes lifted me to the bathroom Or someone's fridge Or the local pool I didn't really care

Even as constellations
Alit my lids
And slit my ears
To this new world order

I was imbibing backwards air Sliding through plumbing A spaceship blasting off

When I became my sickness A physical thing I doubted I drew out the spigot and became a goo monster

Terrorizing Tokyo Or my house With my demon friends Spitting acid

The evel one I am The womanizer The racist Who slings mud

A new convulsion and I became the meek

Inheriting all earth from Gods bathroom floor

A neptune fetus Growing tendrils inwards The roots prodded every orifice I had and grew more

Fire shaped hair
A contract to my semicircle form
The hands bitten
To numb some pain

And my friends saved me The crack of dawn zealot march Slamming closets closed Just to find me

Why they waited years or were giants I didn't know but I was immediately alone again

Inside the beasts sacks
They promised aid
And whispered like dream fiends
I didn't trust the enemy

And again drowning this time Towards and empty soul Exhaling every auspice I ever knew I was a fifty year old stingray Ready to fight

When they revealed me
To the dry world
The missing liquid inside me
Became my home

For just one second I was home again Before they ripped open my chest And gave me a heart attack Or undid my saltwater form

Naked alone In a hospital A bathroom floor lover

They sometimes Sometimes creaked Into my wardrobe My home

New forms Maybe objects White demons Much different

Every force feed

made me want to become the fetus I had always been the creature immune

Before the changes Before the fixes Before the healing New to me

I was in a hospital A bedside dry A bed wet My pool was real after all

I didn't get better I was better My own journey Across the universe

And poured Like a smoothie Into my empty feet Shins, hips

The crowns wept White on white lights My chains Eventually loosened

My friends came back From my home And made me drink From a cup they made My lids drew closed At night It stayed black I was just sleeping this time.

In the Car

In the car With pants on your chest Like a sweater You are sexy Like your surroundings Makeup on the windows Doesn't shine in your eyes You've stilled your momentum You both are together A deadened sensation But that is sex The after care rest on the seats With whoever and whatever plans before This is your home for a second A nap on a bus Or a walk in the park This end is not coming It's an elaborate Of lust Of sexy This is how you dance

And I praise you

This One is for Amber

In my fantasy
I am you
When you were young
A teenager greedy
and excited
Hair that pulled down
Not to the side
A coat with pride
Succumbing to dreams

I want to eat
the unknowns in your past
Like you forgot
Or wanted to forget
I want the hollering
in the car
and the silence
on the sidewalk
In America we are
together
But from time
I cannot see me
(You)

When I become one
I ache not for the dropping
But for the list of the reborn
The satellite of your math book
The candle in your basement
Places away only by you
I want your angry sins
Even at cost
Even with a price
I want to share your youth
I want to be envious
of the others
And pry open that chest
on my way to your brain

I'm silent After band practice I'm a bird in your sketches And the dirt on your skates In a dream I had again In my memories Fun to suppress I make clear some zagged path To a healing place That I know is not triumph But another death A sacred place Not that I am going to, But that I strive to be Every embarassment is good

Every giggle is relief
Because it means I would be there
Because it means I've learned
to wrestle down
and tumble down
Because this is a precious thing to me
And I want to be you