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SIGNAL-EATER



TOROID-FOREST



NULLING-LATTICE



SUNKEN-MOUNTAIN



GRADIENT DESCENT

CONFORMAL COLLAPSE

MAGNETIC CONFINEMENT

POCKET TOKAMAK



A Ballad o Sundered Aegis



⁸ Crystalline vines wi latticed lines
¹ at briefest reef follow my feet,
² refracting shines in eyes o mine,
³ tae buck an birl me tae stane seat.
⁴ Am sullen tae ken yon sea drift
⁵ extends the current observing,
⁶ I lay ma heid tae never lift
⁷ an hope fae rest I'm deserving.
⁸ An staring at both ailing suns,
⁹ a loathsome, middae blue dulls stars
¹⁰ owre obtainable spectrums,
¹¹ cannae spy auld homesun pulsars,
¹² nor horns o serpent runaway
¹³ that streekt frae freak hollows that cracked
¹⁴ in ooter airms o nebulae,
¹⁵ which cradled me when more intact.
¹⁶ Where go the void? I dinnae ken.
¹⁷ Am lost afloat sea asimmer.
¹⁸ Devoid o most copernican
¹⁹ o sentiments, am set center -
²⁰ as per tycho-modelled cycle,
²¹ muddled scribes o prideful mindings,
²² unfit tae find archetypal
²³ humbled vibes frae spaceward sightings.
²⁴ Cause: my nightspore test in falter,
²⁵ effect: broke spatial symmetries
²⁶ an high order cosmographer
²⁷ buckled tae basic binaries,
²⁸ where empties' roam wi keen beckon
²⁹ an loom wi lensing bend in gleams
³⁰ tae dangle weapons we'd nae reckon
³¹ jettisoning gamma ray streams.

³² A solar lightnings' carving stun,
³³ hae waxing feathered in aether,
³⁴ post-klaxon hum o trauma done,
³⁵ prunes galactic blooms tae wither.
³⁶ Hither struggled, struggling still,
³⁷ heid weighing frae gravitation,
³⁸ bothers more than shrugging winds shrill
³⁹ wavering o kite in motion.
⁴⁰ Then, low orbit imitations,
⁴¹ stellations o tetrahedrands,
⁴² aglow raw grit scintillations,
⁴³ well oceans oot frae tearing glands,
⁴⁴ as if my ship that dust the skies,
⁴⁵ that gave grief on way an tae leave,
⁴⁶ reflects as real in my eyes -
⁴⁷ I've lost escape winnae reprieve.
⁴⁸ In fleeing squall unknown tae me,
⁴⁹ I cut anchored familiar
⁵⁰ which sank me near instantly,
⁵¹ consigning lapsed inferior
⁵² tae briny, planetary churn
⁵³ o tame oceans' laconic soak,
⁵⁴ tugging parachute taciturn,
⁵⁵ wi lame, aphonic, coastal choke.
⁵⁶ In silent scream absorbed in grasp
⁵⁷ o black, long left before the fall,
⁵⁸ my mouth agape emits nae rasp
⁵⁹ on stereo radio call
⁶⁰ o ceaseless noises, double-talk,
⁶¹ in drowning EM tidal crest
⁶² through lowlands loch that acts tae block
⁶³ mae call o distress: "jus tae rest..."



⁶⁴ Nae rest there was, I would nae keep
⁶⁵ oot there because exosuits leak
⁶⁶ cool air tae heat wi quick'ning beep,
⁶⁷ those caught who want exit ought seek.
⁶⁸ Bursting steam clouds my panoptics,
⁶⁹ I toe streams I dare tae wade through,
⁷⁰ putting trust in field magnetics,
⁷¹ though rusting armour pays its due.
⁷² Wi metal-wrap an high-grade gloves,
⁷³ am nervous thing on offhand lam,
⁷⁴ puir chap jaded an strayed frae love,
⁷⁵ far oot o reach o friends an fam,
⁷⁶ I drove myself through endless void
⁷⁷ an found myself in blinding fogs,
⁷⁸ alive wi self, nae paranoid
⁷⁹ where only self could haunt the bogs.
⁸⁰ But sensors in sinew nae soothe
⁸¹ these systems trained as danger sleuth,
⁸² wi shapes bored brains make frae the smooth
⁸³ an spikes o noise mistook fae truth.
⁸⁴ The isolation o the mist
⁸⁵ have wits reform an nerves revive
⁸⁶ in deprivation, tightened fist
⁸⁷ disnae affirm that I'll survive.
⁸⁸ The fact, which hid beneath the hurt
⁸⁹ I felt when in the way o harm,
⁹⁰ is that my hert's ever alert
⁹¹ an that my suit would false alarm.
⁹² I see the choice thaths left in mire
⁹³ what remains I cannae eschew,
⁹⁴ I can fear what hae been prior
⁹⁵ or harbour fear o something new.

⁹⁶ But comforts come frae certainty
⁹⁷ an thrumming o monotonies,
⁹⁸ a metronomic tendancy
⁹⁹ help isolate anomalies
¹⁰⁰ an formerly perceptual
¹⁰¹ conceptual consternations
¹⁰² are cancelled-oot predictable
¹⁰³ perpetual palpitations.
¹⁰⁴ Deterministic anxious waves
¹⁰⁵ o bugs in ears an fungus grown,
¹⁰⁶ are all thaths left in coward caves,
¹⁰⁷ I've chosen tae suffer the known.
¹⁰⁸ ... 'til worry o higher degrees
¹⁰⁹ is wearing pocked an fissured plates,
¹¹⁰ tae swap the odds o bayes' lieklies,
¹¹¹ inciting me tae unknown fates.
¹¹² Befriending shadows on the wall,
¹¹³ pretending comfort's what I felt
¹¹⁴ nae stopped the magma curtain call
¹¹⁵ as lava flows where shadows dwelt.
¹¹⁶ I saw in vain wi eyes wide shut
¹¹⁷ as pupils strain wi contraction,
¹¹⁸ wi darkness gane my lie in rut
¹¹⁹ was futile tae vie wi action.
¹²⁰ Nae tae be mistaken fae brave,
¹²¹ ma sprint tae screaming frequencies,
¹²² were more a run frae painful grave
¹²³ o lustful molten rock an seas.
¹²⁴ When clouded chaos quiets some,
¹²⁵ approaching shores o placid dunes,
¹²⁶ I ken the cause when that plight come
¹²⁷ o deserts' dry, decrepit croons.



128 The sea o glass is forming rift
129 tae vast periphery skyline
130 wi quaking shift o sands in sift
131 tae ebb this heavy heid o mine.
132 But edged where grains can fall both ways,
133 atop a point langrangian,
134 am safe as last man o blank bays,
135 but subject tae blare gaussian.
136 Those sisyphean aft ashame,
137 they'd dream tae take this battle slow,
138 frenetic static hits me same
139 yet makes ma thin bones rattle so.
140 I wrestle neck up tae behold,
141 the auld-world mechanistic grind
142 o what is digging gap foretold,
143 a whining an machinic kind.
144 Bevy o antennas wired,
145 rhizomes strafing past afloating,
146 adjoint tae roaming ore spired
147 via hanging mast it's toting.
148 Forlorn hoverer, owerdrawn,
149 does fawn ower a gaping black,
150 seems tired wi yawn held upon,
151 does it drag hole or hole drag back?
152 I'm sick o this, I jus want home,
153 I've nae the form tae face the dawn
154 o tricks o light nor migraine chrome,
155 this is nae norm fae brittle-born
156 whose worn an crappy shell would split
157 like licks o flame in dry biome,
158 like origami delicate
159 frae war-torn, age-auld, langsyne tome.

160 It seems my hauns are ill-defined,
161 exclusion principles resign,
162 Am swimming in space undefined
163 nae pull tae which I can align.
164 Wi frantic swiping at the sands
165 ignored among acoustic seas,
166 surrounding resonating bands
167 eternally returns unease.
168 How could I jam noise an combat
169 approach so slow I'd nae notice,
170 when this is strong evidence that
171 what was designs again what is?
172 Commands o ancient echelon,
173 back then were instrumental,
174 nau march o progress marches on
175 where monument moves tangential.
176 'Neath unpermitting monolith,
177 I peer intae unlit pit
178 which swallows tight-knit regolith,
179 uplifting what's hid frae suns hit.
180 It brings tae light a slighter thrust
181 tae take the loss upon the chin,
182 unloosened kite I need nae trust,
183 one up or doon must take me in.
184 I haven't strength tae fight the flow,
185 nae option but surrendering,
186 but smart conceding can help show,
187 by notion o uncentering,
188 nae it nor I is all tae know,
189 there is nae point o origin,
190 its relative tae say I'm low
191 wi deeper parts tae forage in.



¹⁹² Weight o planets draw me humble,
¹⁹³ feckless I flee conscious id,
¹⁹⁴ like up-turned insect flights fumble,
¹⁹⁵ like reckless, conscientious kid
¹⁹⁶ would fall again as fools tend to,
¹⁹⁷ when leaping aff well-meaning height,
¹⁹⁸ dinnae regard the hopes untrue,
¹⁹⁹ the real's atop intent in might.

²⁰⁰ The buzzing cranks will overturn
²⁰¹ as free as link in chain that's drug
²⁰² aroon a wheel that returns
²⁰³ wi wingspeed o the smallest bug,
²⁰⁴ an nare a smack nor swat nor swing
²⁰⁵ will free me frae metallic groan,
²⁰⁶ kinetic lack is what I bring,
²⁰⁷ rescinding potential I loan.

²⁰⁸ I spot the interlocks tae thread,
²⁰⁹ the ratchets cranking obstinate,
²¹⁰ my 'chute nau covers up my heid,
²¹¹ pronouncing me deadlocked dimwit,
²¹² an I'd nae argue when entranced
²¹³ wi rhythmic happenings that spin
²¹⁴ an winnae asking hae advanced
²¹⁵ tae do wi me what they hae been.

²¹⁶ In a fall categorical
²¹⁷ o all the ones that came before,
²¹⁸ why relearn what's historical?
²¹⁹ I'd rather cognisance withdraw.

²²⁰ In cybernetics take ower,
²²¹ mechanical in my descent,
²²² nae help's knowing parabola
²²³ in trip I've nae hope tae augment.

²²⁴ I hide awa wi shame I learnt,
²²⁵ behind replay o muscle logs,
²²⁶ an accept humility earn't
²²⁷ as gear caught in cosmic cogs,
²²⁸ but lingered in the cavity,
²²⁹ nae longer than a blink tae see,
²³⁰ a reversing o gravity
²³¹ returning myself back tae me.

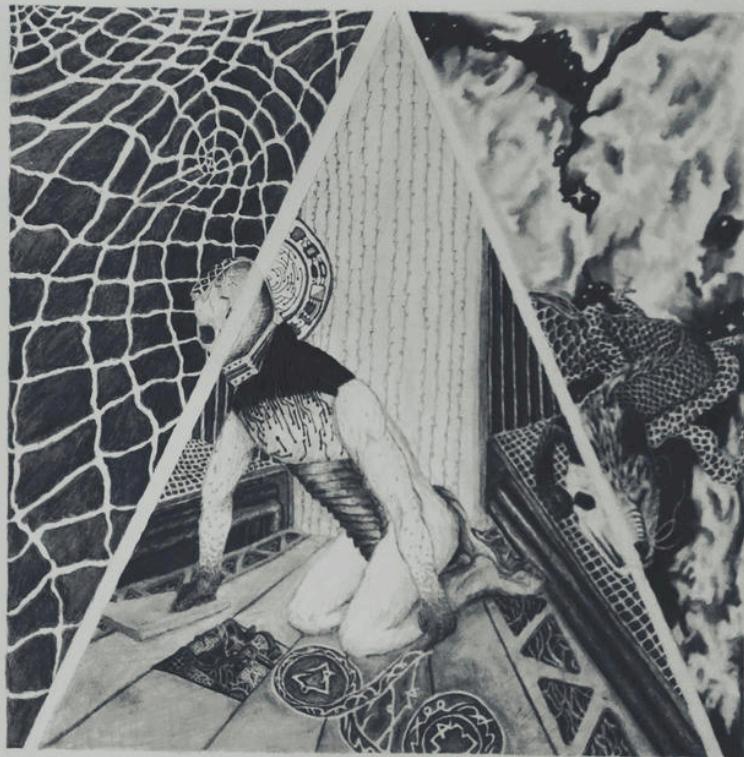
²³² A siphoning hae strings near snap
²³³ in plane non-orientable
²³⁴ wi transformation o flat map
²³⁵ frae surface low-dimensional,
²³⁶ the stresses flip in changing draft
²³⁷ tae scene nae representable,
²³⁸ dilating unner dome-like shaft
²³⁹ where straight lines seem more bendable.

²⁴⁰ The data loading oot the banks
²⁴¹ in rushed retrace o path unsure
²⁴² puts hole in taxonomic ranks
²⁴³ o gushing founts o matter lure.

²⁴⁴ My harness fit fae lowerings,
²⁴⁵ an glidings tae ataxia,
²⁴⁶ in guidance upside towerings
²⁴⁷ nae more aids ataraxia.

²⁴⁸ The unnercarraige winds me back
²⁴⁹ I stab my kite that's bound on bolt,
²⁵⁰ an nylon lace in tangled slack
²⁵¹ experienced inertial jolt.

²⁵² I grasp frae hook-edged wand-knife held
²⁵³ machinic drive isnae enough
²⁵⁴ tae clasp forsook, dredged land-waif felled
²⁵⁵ frae cynic dive tae inert slough.



256 Letting lack o cause by nature
257 indicate a fleeting reason,
258 I take slack an rouse tae future,
259 tae explore what life can squeeze in,
260 while translating branching pathways
261 tae a stack o cornered maze tree.
262 I try nae see lazy delays,
263 in repeating sierpinskis.
264 Uncivil sorts o architects,
265 made halls inside all bent and creased,
266 so navigation's made complex,
267 as if fae blind an charging beast,
268 like time itself is light deceived
269 tae solve the shortest ways tae where
270 it tries tae take all turns conceived
271 at rate the junctions will tae bear.
272 The turn-around in labyrinth
273 hae ground-up plans like knotted rings
274 tae cluster carbons knelt at plinth
275 that supplicate engineering,
276 "Please keep the minotaur frae me."
277 In byzantines o dread I stray,
278 redundantly heeding tae he,
279 my ruminations' ox-heid fey.
280 Scrutinizing route unwinding,
281 how I searched fae centroid secret,
282 I'd nae get there without finding,
283 notetakers, in corners, had writ:
284 "quarks amiss will attend again,
285 where photo-electric clockworks
286 quantized to mass distend refrain
287 through echo-concentric networks.

288 The slits o lasers phase in rhyme
289 wi timing blinks o tired een,
290 reducing blits tae local time
291 miss universal state unseen.
292 Nae matter if you're standing near,
293 or scatter as you're nae more seen,
294 you were always tae be here,
295 here you will always hae been."
296 In map o roads I'd rush tae take
297 frae angled, firmamental look
298 agin those roads I would forsake,
299 I found its time that I forsook.
300 Instead I'll note so simple truth,
301 a measured time's nae time perceivd,
302 deadends I hit when in my youth
303 can linger longer than believed.
304 An so I know why still I fight,
305 because they fought fae me before,
306 they've quietened tae null-like night
307 but grief fae them breaks walls an draws
308 upon the sorrow o the slights,
309 recesses holding wrongward doors,
310 I learnt I had tae see frae heights
311 a way tae wrench archways in floors
312 tae distributed cores that bring
313 the beams whose course was owershot
314 but ken the ones that split offspring
315 could find their way tae better lot.
316 Unhid, pervasive cables showed
317 interconnections resonate.
318 I flood systems fae owerload
319 wi chants o lives concatenate.



328 Losing footing on carapace
321 an distancing frae what I've said,
322 all words unheard would far ootpace
323 those of me own that I'd re-read.
324 I'd tried hard wi kernel o code,
325 in each part you were embedded,
326 may not prompt recursive download,
327 but at least am clear-headed.

328 Wi sudden, silent hope then dread
329 as whirring stop leads unsteading,
330 the pyramid descends on thread
331 in blurring drop wi circled heading.

332 Shifting forces makes sand syrup,
333 moving land tae stable new state;
334 though my beacon's nae more corrupt,
335 am caught in sands an nau must wait.

336 Like desert dripped through fingers slipped
337 that's stranding me in sorry place,
338 In dropping what I hanna gripped
339 I've weighted feet an cannae chase

340 you racing others unsated,
341 whose needing mare than I can serve
342 allowed, fae me, what's awaited -
343 a rest that I may nae deserve.

344 Constant loudness seemed so massive,
345 rampant shrewdness o racous breaths,
346 sets like suns nau, less oppressive,
347 lurking down in vacuous depths.

348 Nae din in brooding, silent reign,
349 my bones repose unner my skin,
350 nae more enduring absent pain,
351 nae poke nor stab, nae prod nor pin.

352 Some would think it grim, the moments
353 it slips my mind that you did go,
354 but simulacra holds remnants,
355 like sticker stars on ceilings glow.

356 In pretense that you stayed unslain,
357 I play that you lay at surface,
358 suspending thoughts tae keep me sane,
359 that clay animate serves purpose.

360 Enduring phosphorescences
361 saving sensory connection,
362 cautioning risk tae defenses
363 I air one more choice dejection,

364 sending signal that won't diffuse,
365 aboot more than a long tae rest,
366 amending logs wi longheld news
367 confessing I've nae lived my best.

368 Weakness showed through insulation
369 sought within a wrought transparence,
370 part refraction, part reflection,
371 barely asserted appearance.

372 I'd readied tae shirk haun given,
373 assuming givers would nae care
374 fae empty body undriven,
375 a skin nae lived in, life laid bare.

376 Longer was I not an won't be
377 than ever do I patient wait,
378 but pulsar clocks time not mem'ry
379 am holding through the hours late.

380 I'll leave my haun above an free,
381 tae grow like seeds take time tae wake,
382 an know I can be company,
383 if someone needs a haun tae take.



Awaiting Healing Damocles



³⁸⁴ Something pulling the husk o me,
³⁸⁵ does bring me up tae dusk abray -
³⁸⁶ offbeat, untrue geometry -
³⁸⁷ I would it leave me tae ma wae.
³⁸⁸ Isnae fae love o me it woke,
³⁸⁹ Nae ambling in the trail left,
³⁹⁰ an rambling dinnae draw oot talk,
³⁹¹ implies concern fae me bereft.
³⁹² Its heft externally unmoved,
³⁹³ affixed but shearing through essence,
³⁹⁴ tae shrink its stern an grow saw-toothed
³⁹⁵ as propagates wave-like presence,
³⁹⁶ while deftly roon ferritic steel,
³⁹⁷ lashing oot frae inner spaces,
³⁹⁸ wiry lengths wi neurotic zeal
³⁹⁹ probe an pull wi many faces.
⁴⁰⁰ At the target o its phases,
⁴⁰¹ where the sand subsumes the sun in
⁴⁰² terra incognita hazes,
⁴⁰³ terrors in what this could summon
⁴⁰⁴ haunt the ghosts that's in the shaping
⁴⁰⁵ o this ever changing creature,
⁴⁰⁶ am reminded o my shaking,
⁴⁰⁷ searching remains nae my nature.
⁴⁰⁸ I'd grown used tae unchanging states,
⁴⁰⁹ disnae concern one who withdrew
⁴¹⁰ tae sheltered grey where naught rotates.
⁴¹¹ Still set, do suns? Or set anew?
⁴¹² The atmos rayleighs tae rawed flesh
⁴¹³ as cleik at wrist begins tae ache.
⁴¹⁴ Metallic tendrils o ored mesh
⁴¹⁵ must take o me fae its own sake.

⁴¹⁶ I spy athort much birk an bush
⁴¹⁷ that sprout frae seeds that sunward crawl,
⁴¹⁸ tae mask my being unner lush
⁴¹⁹ might take tae task that cornered sprawl.
⁴²⁰ A nobler human would assess
⁴²¹ an find tae where, or what, their drawn,
⁴²² but nimblér flight's skill I possess,
⁴²³ am spaceborne who's nae built fae brawn.
⁴²⁴ Trees seem greener agin greying
⁴²⁵ workings o impatient other,
⁴²⁶ forking structures their displaying
⁴²⁷ cover rather than tae smother.
⁴²⁸ Agitating planed-marauder
⁴²⁹ osculating many molded
⁴³⁰ manifolds trained oot o order
⁴³¹ took me as fodder enfolded.
⁴³² Greener parts am trusting ower
⁴³³ intimmers o machine spirit,
⁴³⁴ frae unner its focussed hover
⁴³⁵ I better the grasp an quick flit
⁴³⁶ where worrying misgivings run,
⁴³⁷ ignorant o destinations,
⁴³⁸ suns are irrevocably spun
⁴³⁹ tae strange new orientations.
⁴⁴⁰ My shadows, split infront, extends
⁴⁴¹ tae faster welcome in forest
⁴⁴² as follows ma hunch that impends
⁴⁴³ fae this I might be sorriest.
⁴⁴⁴ Wi all discomforts considered,
⁴⁴⁵ I left what dragged me oot tae life
⁴⁴⁶ an fled wi nae thoughts as yet heard
⁴⁴⁷ that wild could sooner cause me strife.



⁴⁴⁸ Til by an by the chase abates,
⁴⁴⁹ an stalker leaves me tae this zone,
⁴⁵⁰ I break a branch tae brace in wait
⁴⁵¹ an speak nae sound an hunker prone
⁴⁵² enthroned on leaf-ridden an thorned
⁴⁵³ forewarnings nae tae unsettle,
⁴⁵⁴ should I disturb horrors adorned
⁴⁵⁵ in heather, hazel an nettle.

⁴⁵⁶ 'Neath the clover flakes what's whittled,
⁴⁵⁷ an overwhelmed, I pare abune,
⁴⁵⁸ squinting at flora that rippled
⁴⁵⁹ wi unbid, whistled, elm-spun tune.

⁴⁶⁰ All the action flutters here
⁴⁶¹ like twisting metal planes disjoint -
⁴⁶² almost carved this staff tae spear
⁴⁶³ wi my concern sharpened tae point.

⁴⁶⁴ Mould spores cunningly suffocates
⁴⁶⁵ muffled buzz o transparent wings,
⁴⁶⁶ before brownian glides tae fates,
⁴⁶⁷ tae ruffle an writhe on floors' springs,
⁴⁶⁸ as this life-filled microcosm
⁴⁶⁹ tries so hard tae kill fast each part
⁴⁷⁰ fae darwinian death spasm
⁴⁷¹ that shoots oot pain then falls apart.

⁴⁷² Life must oppose, if else it chose
⁴⁷³ it's destined tae then self-destruct,
⁴⁷⁴ its agency tae decompose
⁴⁷⁵ I cannae blame, but must reluct,
⁴⁷⁶ ambivalence tae existence
⁴⁷⁷ is concept I can unnerstand,
⁴⁷⁸ but preference fae malignance
⁴⁷⁹ tae face doon death should life demand?

⁴⁸⁸ This is decay, this is a mould
⁴⁸⁹ that overtakes an inter-knots
⁴⁹⁰ wi neurons nae more self-controlled
⁴⁹¹ wi self-honed make o home-grown thoughts.

⁴⁹² In broken systems, tae excel
⁴⁹³ isnae a goal am tae pursue,
⁴⁹⁴ bespoken own environ cell
⁴⁹⁵ will sterilize me o mildew.

⁴⁹⁶ But neutral plates that would safekeep
⁴⁹⁷ my softer sides that easy rip
⁴⁹⁸ frae brutal hits may still yet seep
⁴⁹⁹ this lichen bloom upon ma hip.

⁵⁰⁰ Tae keep detached frae what I see,
⁵⁰¹ I dig wi knife along waistline;
⁵⁰² I winnae let you grow frae me,
⁵⁰³ I am my own an you're nae mine.

⁵⁰⁴ The place an route trace multiplies,
⁵⁰⁵ my chest is bound in tight'ning lines
⁵⁰⁶ as body systems rectifies
⁵⁰⁷ frae frightful sight o me-shaped vines.

⁵⁰⁸ The trumpets sound, I cut too deep
⁵⁰⁹ an cooling fluid starts tae ooze,
⁵¹⁰ I realise rot need nae creep,
⁵¹¹ by sight alone it warps my views.

⁵¹² Am nae a whole conglomerate
⁵¹³ wi barrier tae chemicals
⁵¹⁴ but set o wires disparate
⁵¹⁵ o multiple recepticles
⁵¹⁶ wi twining, woven causation
⁵¹⁷ that nature discards when sees fit.
⁵¹⁸ A single interpretation
⁵¹⁹ an I am always part o it.



512 My copper frayed capillaries
513 were shorted by ablative rends.
514 They flailing rejoin filigrees
515 repairing scarred an mislinked mends,
516 as nervous system softly drones
517 an circulatory beats slow,
518 respiratory dulls tae moan
519 as muscles cannae stow airflow.
520 Skeletal sags as jelly mass
521 fae I'm easy tae make shaken,
522 resumed exhaustion winnae pass,
523 I'm wanting sleep though just woken.
524 "Cover me in reeds an river,
525 an bury me in humbled glen,"
526 speaks my soft, wee voice aquiver,
527 the words o beaten, stumbling men,
528 "My reddened een an bagging spine
529 an quaking lower lips o cry,
530 would see less pain should birch an pine
531 emerge tae split an rip thereby
532 erasing all humility
533 an hiding shame within the tree,
534 replacing this futility
535 o subsets tae biology.
536 Drink my tears an drain thin shell,
537 leave only bones so nane may tell,
538 an please keep what you secret well,
539 how surely defeated I fell."
540 But caught amongst ambivalent
541 sustained perennial thickets,
542 my plea's answered equivalent
543 wi chirping o lonely crickets.

544 I've reached again a lower best
545 in failure tae truely assess,
546 inconsequence o me tae rest,
547 an dominance o due process.
548 Wi vocal flinch o vain whimper,
549 my local signal's loud spoken,
550 am gasping roach that crawls naewhere,
551 am branch in wait tae be broken.
552 If nature isnae stopping me,
553 a bug on lens an magnified,
554 a simple pest then I must be,
555 an help tae me it won't provide,
556 save soaking up the aftermath,
557 once all my limbs are laid tae ground,
558 an am exhausted o all wrath
559 that keeps me frae that patient mound.
560 My staff does creek unner the weight
561 o weakened frame I've well-burdened,
562 I weakly seek on wayward straight
563 a scarce treeline o woodland end.
564 I mount what could become heidstane,
565 tae find I look back where I came
566 an erry pathway thus bygane,
567 at once, I see all look the same.
568 An frae all sides it seems tae me -
569 a joke frae auld an weary japes -
570 tae me floats that geometry
571 o manifold, flickering shapes,
572 since in ma panic I still screamed
573 in waves o radioed distress,
574 so that ma place tae all is beamed,
575 so only me is lost in mess.



576 Incalculable dimension
577 or undeniable green lae,
578 offended by comprehension
579 I throw myself in what I'd nae.
580 Tae those wi hope there's nae surprise
581 but me, on whom patterns persist,
582 find nary a need fae war cries
583 as shapes tilt only tae assist.
584 Pressed upon by stronger lustre,
585 rising pressure o deflections
586 reflects my parts which nae muster
587 some such measure tae sum fractions,
588 typical when forked an scattered
589 in diffractions o external
590 distractions reversed tae mirror
591 total reflections internal.
592 Lurching, displaced frae conventions,
593 perceptions in sight unbending
594 an stretching oot in directions
595 winnae deference tae ending,
596 rangily unreferencing
597 my existence in ascending
598 or falling lost difference in
599 change where stasis is upending.
600 Middling models an metaphor
601 are closest tae reality
602 my stuttering must settle for,
603 reality's too much fae me,
604 an any probability
605 that I may utter falsity
606 is sourced frae my fragility,
607 confused, but lies in honesty.

608 At risk o seizure, eyes tight-held,
609 I guess my path through unmapped realm,
610 an use math thought wrong but upheld,
611 it finds me whole upon the helm
612 o hert.. or brain.. something arcane?
613 I'd nae ken on the best o days,
614 this work outlives any refrain
615 attempting trite descriptive phrase.
616 In all I've said an want tae say
617 was wrestling o what I knew
618 without tae know, objectively,
619 the proof that what I say won't skew
620 an go selectively astray
621 through filters o senses preset,
622 undeniably the process
623 automates a hopeful mindset
624 wi countless inconsistencies
625 o unconscious machinations
626 exploiting inefficiencies
627 o architecture's foundations,
628 till human error probing node
629 would eagerly erode pipelines,
630 so overload will then explode
631 in power surge an coil whines.
632 Tae take apart its counting ticks
633 an read its clicks through instructions
634 an know the art an all the tricks
635 on how tae fix mine own functions.
636 Though as I am, maladjusted,
637 my introspective efforts crash,
638 breaking doon an leaving busted
639 careful addressing made nonce hash.



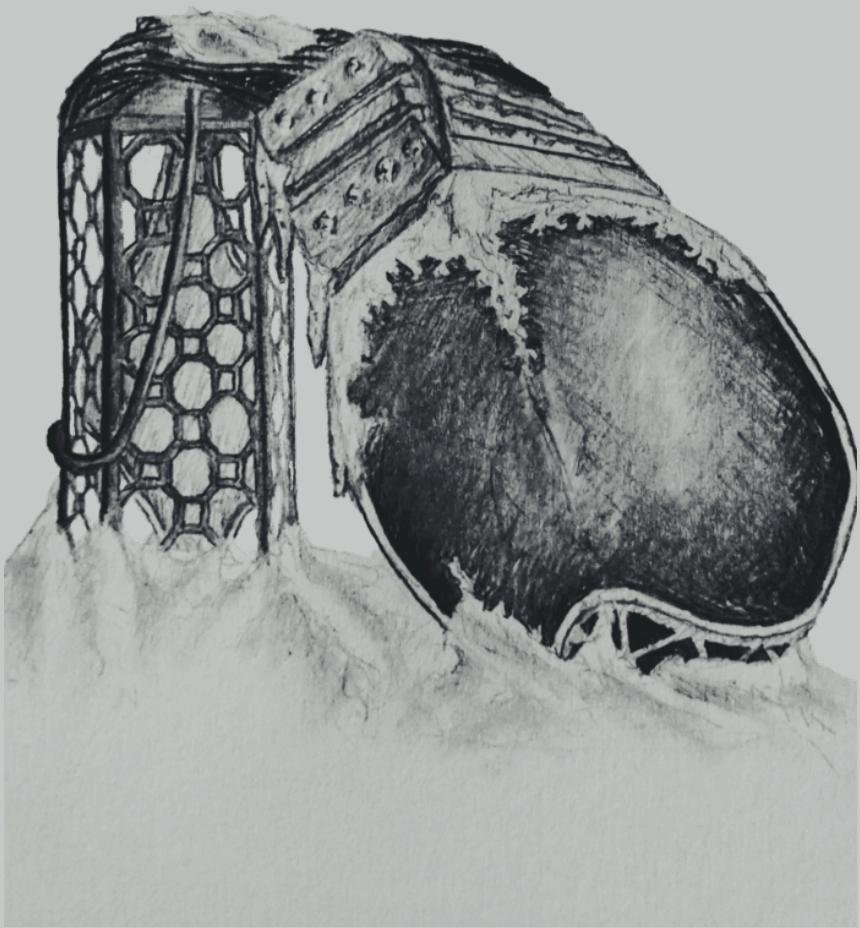
640 An so unfolds same auld mistakes
641 through lateral breaches ill-spaced,
642 creating viscous flows an wakes
643 o untold centuries unlaced.
644 On watching pinholes at time's pace
645 frae deepest o wells that dilate,
646 these apertures in lang dead space,
647 wi parallax, parambulate.
648 Specks o stars start switching off then
649 as moth-filled void ootstrips my trance.
650 Foremost orbs' orbit held brisken
651 three-body game caught me in dance.
652 Two around, bound tight, revolving,
653 One which lacks accretes frae other
654 spinning disk, risked on dissolving,
655 leaving husk post-starcrossed nova.
656 Last leg fusion rebeginning,
657 unremitting until fatal
658 loss o energy tae spinning,
659 hardens core intae a metal.
660 Mass ejection sent suspending,
661 weighing heaviness dishertens,
662 lessens momentum defending
663 egressing o what enlightens.
664 Nae the kind that's dying tae fight,
665 nor in search o fight tae die in,
666 I nae mind this entropic flight,
667 beyon recall, nae use trying.
668 At last expelled oot frae deep well,
669 effects postponed in distant blast,
670 am lone zombie in extant shell
671 wi knell o binary nau past.

672 What hell tae which I wend below,
673 like feather aff a burning wing,
674 isnae likely tae help resew
675 the loose ends I've left dangling.
676 The emptiest have eased impact,
677 so I replace, wi spaciousness,
678 the sensors tae which I react,
679 regaining once-held weightlessness.
680 Winnae concern nor decision
681 am nae discerning fall or float,
682 what could be cratered collision
683 reduced itself tae asymptote.
684 Excavation being thorough,
685 nae sensation stirs me writhing,
686 matching ambient sub-zero,
687 thermals would show naething living.
688 Yet seemingly my suit withstood,
689 though numb tae burns o re-entry,
690 would do more harm than any good
691 tae check diagnostic sentry.
692 I cannae process what's tae come,
693 returned tae flat chronology.
694 I wait on my delirium
695 tae resume rote tautology
696 What breaks doon toroid transformer
697 cracking joints which absorb unkind?
698 Nae grass tae touch, nae unformer,
699 what's tae become o coil untwined,
700 like string pulled far frae line o sight,
701 left unstrung on this frozen glen,
702 ablow a sky quartered by light,
703 ower cutting cold ben midden?



784 Mangled brain that's fain tae wane there,
785 making choice that felt nae chosen:
786 angled heap will there remain where
787 freezing ower's best kept frozen,
788 on the bare an broken wasteland
789 cleft wi bracken leafy pattern
790 along grains frae my unplanned hand
791 stood in banding disk like saturn.
792 Through the cracks wi hollowy ring
793 the lake below leaks up tae rays
794 chasing me aff wi ret, warping
795 electromagnetic displays.
796 Watery film on sunken ice,
797 unaired malaise an grounded sky
798 so heights o stellar paradise
799 were marred by plunging steps awry.
799 The expedition eats reserve
799 an powerless I knelt as norm
799 where I expect an so observe
799 kaleidescope o onset storm.
799 Anxious tolls would sure outlast
799 whatever I may perservere
799 as any fall I may skip past
799 would help mirror a further fear.
799 Faint aurorae stronger render
799 my frame which fickle does harrow
799 fae a sure abeien fender,
799 windless place were I may tarrow -
799 lest this greying blizzard astride
799 mine shallow burrow enclosure
799 test if vaccuum-hardened hert lied
799 o lower limits I'd endure.

799 Pathetic clutching at ma knees,
799 antithetical tae welcomed view
799 o your lantern raised on the breeze,
799 I hide my smile that then grew
799 frae truth I keep deep in my throat
799 there's nothing that I'd rather see
799 than distant shine, that tiny mote,
799 o someone oot looking fae me.
799 But during kit's stalling reboot,
799 inoperable wi glitched fallbacks,
799 the latency o instinct suit
799 conflicts wi habit tae holdback.
799 Trepidacious, owerthinking,
799 it hurts in feeling the feedback,
799 leaving that same feel o sinking,
799 as I dig slow, so hole fills back.
799 Unlit, abandoned, unwired,
799 a statue wi naught tae denote,
799 these parts o me once admired
799 hae chilled tae trap o icy coat.
799 Appendage hydraulics retract,
799 where sat inured, frosted blind,
799 my legs curl in fae playdead act
799 an instinct vacates forfeit mind.
799 The crystals bind my neck bent low
799 where snowflakes fall upon shoulders,
799 the ice translucence wryly shows
799 it chokes oot flame that still smoulders.
799 You left, barely a look askance,
799 but kennt I'd hurt much mare than you.
799 Tae gie my warmth a fighting chance,
799 you left... but left a light on too.



Through Disposable Iambus



768 A boooming arrival, whistling fall,
769 like many ave travelled afore,
770 sings oot as siren looming call
771 fae saddened an sorry encore
772 o puir an wobbly stagger
773 I manage as I disinter,
774 as if already a tremor
775 does sift me oot o this winter.
776 An lifted free wi space to think
777 on planes o anhedonia,
778 my avolation holds at brink
779 prolonged death-bed insomnia
780 tae try an try, in base attempt,
781 tae gauge the angle incident,
782 adapting tae what I preempt,
783 destruction being imminent.
784 Were I nae born an kept alive,
785 succumbed tae impulse tae defy
786 the call tae sleep, I'd nae survive
787 tae last past stars o days gane by.
788 Were I tae die, I'd want it so:
789 that meteor falls oot the sky,
790 Nae blister bleedin at my toe,
791 salt whip-stung eyes an lips stane-dry.
792 Unlearning laying doons o yore
793 on blanking blanket unmoved since
794 erasure o what storms restore -
795 a flashed mem barren o footprints -
796 there I retread the steps unmade,
797 an random walk regenerates
798 tae be waylaid by next cascade
799 o tandem load an counterweights.

800 In slalom as I retrograde
801 an gravitate in figure-eight,
802 am stuck inside a balanced trade
803 o trouble an tae acclimate.
804 Should I assuage ascetic stint
805 when all I've left is tae contend
806 that dust that flies frae back o flint
807 was bright only tae the tail end?
808 The watchful glint would dare compare
809 its weightless wisp tae aeons' sift,
810 an if it's spared through flight midair
811 would join my dull tectonic drift.
812 But wave o shock had reified,
813 averted was cyclopic stare,
814 that burning gaze struck mountain-side
815 alit wi pyroclastic flair.
816 An dimly doon did it nae fare
817 in distant butte's half-summit pyre
818 wi waypoint tae rare well-lit lair
819 where substitute sun's burning dire.
820 There is nae absolute in rest
821 but in what yet accelerates.
822 I surge tae point o fallen's nest,
823 conceding tae converging states.
824 Aware o naewhere else tae go
825 an kennin rocks dinnae smoke so,
826 the bare night gies me one mare show
827 o fadin lights last afterglow.
828 An wading through knee-deep, wet snow,
829 it strikes me an I sound a sigh,
830 Is this solemn flaming arrow
831 or does my ship still float on high?



⁸³² Plot the path debris had charted,
⁸³³ then on planes hilly an hollowed
⁸³⁴ find me as shadow time parted
⁸³⁵ frae what's linearly followed
⁸³⁶ on projected path's cross-section,
⁸³⁷ winnae intent, enslaved tae curve
⁸³⁸ that's set frae first perturbation
⁸³⁹ (initial states we all must serve).

⁸⁴⁰ O how I am convinced wi ease
⁸⁴¹ tae minimize the entropy
⁸⁴² an nae detour tae endless freeze
⁸⁴³ fae wasteful test o destiny.

⁸⁴⁴ Were less o me tae span in time,
⁸⁴⁵ the leftowers o cut short treks
⁸⁴⁶ would still bend knee tae paradigm
⁸⁴⁷ tae join the clumps o gathered specks.

⁸⁴⁸ Trajectory calculation,
⁸⁴⁹ predictor o the vaccum seas,
⁸⁵⁰ works too for complex collision
⁸⁵¹ tae form shock metamorphoses.

⁸⁵² Should crevice, cracks an comet graves,
⁸⁵³ resolvable as physical act,
⁸⁵⁴ probe the synapse like depth o cave,
⁸⁵⁵ the same results are found exact.

⁸⁵⁶ But though tae ken would ease my mind
⁸⁵⁷ by run o sandbox universe,
⁸⁵⁸ I'd nae put same on my own kind,
⁸⁵⁹ as stresses preplayed will recurse.

⁸⁶⁰ By estimating constantly,
⁸⁶¹ approximating winnae skew
⁸⁶² the uniform uncertainty,
⁸⁶³ dread won't delay coming debut.

⁸⁶⁴ Tae keep aback re-entrant dives,
⁸⁶⁵ I travel tunnels cloaked in black -
⁸⁶⁶ the lower lit tunnels deprives
⁸⁶⁷ nostalgic-but-reversed attack.

⁸⁶⁸ My ray cast light wi inverse square
⁸⁶⁹ intensifies in gemstane roots
⁸⁷⁰ o unnerground, that squirm aware,
⁸⁷¹ wi wild an luminesced offshoots.

⁸⁷² The fringe o night that drags the floor
⁸⁷³ retreats frae dimming lantern's rim,
⁸⁷⁴ an wi it, all I can't ignore,
⁸⁷⁵ the possibles ootside my whim.

⁸⁷⁶ The universe observable
⁸⁷⁷ is stretching oot frae unner me,
⁸⁷⁸ an all things irreversible
⁸⁷⁹ are glaring bleakest certainty.

⁸⁸⁰ I dedicate wi slow exhale
⁸⁸¹ my peace o mind in frailty,
⁸⁸² in dreaming o beyon the pale,
⁸⁸³ past capstone o propensity.

⁸⁸⁴ Intensities in shifting red
⁸⁸⁵ o errything surrounding me
⁸⁸⁶ leaves me a simple drifting head
⁸⁸⁷ in shallowed wavelengths o flat sea.

⁸⁸⁸ But struck was I, at end light bared,
⁸⁸⁹ despite despair left on repeat,
⁸⁹⁰ misstepped on reach, so unprepared,
⁸⁹¹ a missing stair, a missed hertbeat.

⁸⁹² A fractal crystal fungus eats,
⁸⁹³ on fatal catalytic sight,
⁸⁹⁴ hopeless indeed, dooned ship depletes
⁸⁹⁵ my will tae fight quartz owerwrite.



896 I cannae tell where am going
897 beginnings far frae my falling
898 in chaos pendulum's hinge-swing
899 wi turgid, charted stumbling.
900 Still, unit circle circumscribes,
901 sufficiently checks conforming,
902 nae variance in time describes,
903 all in all, a stalled transforming.
904 Ma breakin doon was owerdue,
905 the parts constituent decry,
906 the suffering they did accrue
907 frae rules emergent they go by.
908 I unnerstan, though it bores me,
909 the complex falls back tae the start.
910 I ken the plan, I need nae be
911 until last atom's pulled apart.
912 Quartz substrate in jerk an spasm
913 o piezoelectric tensions,
914 excess wi enthusiasm,
915 maxes limited retentions,
916 reducing personalities
917 tae repeating configuration,
918 reorganising valencies
919 o cells fae strong correlation.
920 An soon unner spectroscopy,
921 frae those searching fae character,
922 would stimulus reliably
923 reflect transitionless spectra
924 o layers upon layers cloned
925 in periodic replica,
926 all radiation that is loaned
927 repaid wi same auld signature.

928 In doin best tae ignore tones
929 o bone fractures an scrapin sound,
930 I breathe etudes an recite koans,
931 I count the dirt that lae abound,
932 then found in studies kennt so well,
933 the truths I tell, the calm it brings,
934 they steady me at where I fell
935 tae find the orderers o things.
936 The composition o the small
937 can bring aboot propulsive force,
938 few words in cells bring forth a pull
939 that ships may fly a darkened course,
940 an should I drift across the axis,
941 walking helix wound on torus,
942 I'll wind my way back in praxis
943 strengthening magnetic locus.
944 Questioning mosaic mirror
945 wi perspectives brought tae focus,
946 might a lengthened stay sincerer,
947 multifrequencies in chorus,
948 broaden sequences o banding
949 an illuminate my structure,
950 fae a grander unnerstanding
951 o why I am o my nature?
952 Errything's atop a field
953 an erry particle's a wave,
954 if standing wave will never yield
955 it drones where reverbs meet concave.
956 Were I tae let me crystallize,
957 the auld lattice recurs at will.
958 Should I in higher phase reprise,
959 would I find mark interstitial?



960 Tae take my time an stake what's left,
961 or break another part o me,
962 Forsaken? Nae! Am nae bereft,
963 I'll shake the shards, I'll shatter free.
964 A theseus, I cease tae see
965 the difference in what is since
966 an what once was an what will be -
967 the transience o subsistence.
968 The ossified once it was wore
969 on meeting pestle wi mortar,
970 like automata, sums tae more,
971 pigment, binder, mattifier
972 diffuses harm o nodes alone,
973 in absences an vacancies,
974 by painting perspectives unshown,
975 horizons new tae vertices.
976 The empty parts will help define
977 the points in space which I call home,
978 the quiet times connect a line
979 that moments are permit tae roam.
980 The lantern flares when shot as bullet,
981 an the cast light says tae sorrow,
982 ship adrift is nae done yet,
983 am nae dooned by flaming arrow.
984 Were I nae born tae stay alive,
985 an go where I will soon hae been,
986 if light would fade an so deprive,
987 I'd make my peace wi what's nae seen.
988 Weren't I tae die, I'd live it so:
989 I'd learn the things I'd hope tae know,
990 an search the seas, an safely row,
991 an nae drown in the unnertow.

992 I break my bonds tae break the bind,
993 unmake the tether markedly,
994 as staking I'm fine left behind
995 is verge o tacky parody.
996 Snap turn habit stressed the granite
997 popping bubbles by my marrow
998 yan tan tether mether an pit
999 an sting's displaced by bloody flow.
1000 Remit o lit inner diodes,
1001 I amputate tae see well-built,
1002 as wi minerals o geodes,
1003 when tunnel mouth, wi simple tilt,
1004 hits spill tae glisten an lessen
1005 the fussing ower what's been spilt,
1006 agony isnae the lesson,
1007 it's space wherelies what's then rebuilt.
1008 Upset stomach bacteria,
1009 autonomous cell constructions,
1010 an cochlea hysteria,
1011 restructures me fae new functions.
1012 The petrifying staunched the wound
1013 an launched a sliver tae the brain,
1014 tae stay an listen where attuned,
1015 discussing what we both could gain.
1016 Wi shrunken grip on need tae rest,
1017 my excavated self can host,
1018 like sunken ship can house a nest,
1019 a sense familiar as ghost.
1020 Then wafers snapping in the hull,
1021 begets frae heat o idle thread,
1022 what hibernated in a lull,
1023 a yolk in metal, kin o dead.



- 1824 Purie panickid thing, what hae I done?
 1825 Left incubating on your own,
 1826 you lost your youth in quiet hum,
 1827 first set o horns already grown.
 1828 How bitterly o me you'd think,
 1829 unwillingly cocooned you slept,
 1830 in years o pity I would sink,
 1831 while you festooned in cables kept.
 1832 Your sequencing was cloned an cut
 1833 frae that what last the tedium,
 1834 a tardigrade wi caprine gut,
 1835 cephalopods, mycelium.
 1836 Deathlessness was unintended,
 1837 nae what I meant, but it's my fault,
 1838 you'd nae enjoy life extended,
 1839 rather endure it as default.
 1840 Wi tentacled convulsing splines
 1841 aboot a snarling hircine keen,
 1842 what once was calm an serpentine
 1843 is shredded intae frenzy scene
 1844 all startled an stimulated,
 1845 an strangled amongst the cording,
 1846 you're misled tae think you're hated
 1847 wi more darkness on unboarding.
 1848 Offered self as carrion thrall,
 1849 tae aggression you're parading,
 1850 hushed nae bass in clarion call,
 1851 nor the starkness o your shading.
 1852 Excess beating o erry hit
 1853 I guess is slice o what am owed,
 1854 but rage an fear causing it
 1855 should never hae been so bestowed.
 1856 The damage forwarded tae cave
 1857 betrays the love o one afraid,
 1858 the walls display penance I crave,
 1859 the debt I owe it has half paid.
 1860 The channelling o faults foray
 1861 nae dissipates the blame delayed,
 1862 but re-enslaves one tae the fray
 1863 tae reproduce the hurt I made.
 1864 By feel o your unsharpened tine,
 1865 am seeing your benevolence,
 1866 but weaker hurt still carries sign,
 1867 regrets stick in idempotence.
 1868 Were you nae held so far aloft,
 1869 if I had known you'd sleep till fall,
 1870 wi breath o yours distant an soft,
 1871 would you believe, I'd reach, I'd crawl...?
 1872 Its frustrating you still suffer,
 1873 as you had suffered me, the fool,
 1874 self-punishment isnae buffer,
 1875 my prostrating is just as cruel.
 1876 I'll gie you errythin tae take
 1877 I make this pledge, I'll let you loose,
 1878 I ken the edge a gem can make,
 1879 I'll free you're limbs, then you can choose.
 1880 Once free I'd hope that you'd nae leave,
 1881 although its fair you gripe an seethe,
 1882 my losing you would do me grief,
 1883 you have my air I need tae breathe.
 1884 Ave open haun fae you in wait,
 1885 my company is yours tae drop,
 1886 fae all I care, if am too late,
 1887 the spins o far off stars can stop.



1888 The mountain shakes, my knee gives way
1889 some dust unsettled clouds our view
1890 as fountain breaks o stane an clay,
1891 unrested as if given cue.
1892 Untested leg splinters right through
1893 an festers erry step I make.
1894 Winnae reason I can construe
1895 you're there in wait where light does break.
1896 Considering behind dirt plume,
1897 in choosing, privately, what serves:
1898 were I swallowed in earthen doom
1899 would I fulfil what you deserve?
1900 An should your choice tae wait fae me
1901 be factor in my gait resumed?
1902 We hurt ourselves so easily,
1903 exhuming what should stay entombed.
1904 The ashen grey nae washed away,
1905 fae soot o loving protection,
1906 I let the dust on visor lay
1907 tae ration love fae inspection.
1908 Occluding thoughts that you'd convey
1909 I think kindness works best unseen.
1910 Concluding it helps tae betray,
1911 I wipe my haun across the screen.
1912 You turn your heid, an tilt tae think,
1913 uncertain, but nae unwisely,
1914 your short but knowingly slow blink
1915 was enough tae say concisely:
1916 "Equally inconsequential
1917 it is, tae love an nae tae love,
1918 an yet the choice is essential
1919 for us wi naething else thereof."

1128 A rushed recess o sanity
1129 is strange at point o such distress,
1122 renewed sense o alacrity
1123 must be a break in weariness,
1124 like unpressed solids sublimates,
1125 an pressured man once so stolid
1126 in open air disintegrates,
1127 exposing innards gane rancid.
1128 I'd never register remorse
1129 believing one last fickleness
1130 would have you garner a recourse,
1131 bereaved o me you'd hae one less.
1132 That push I guessed was gravity
1133 disnae pull doon but force regress,
1134 a withdrawing depravity,
1135 a desparate need o forgiveness.
1136 But weight o crystals uncontrolled
1137 bears nae comparator tae guilt
1138 that steals the air when lungs unfold,
1139 ensaring caring words in silt.
1140 In hysterisis o threshold,
1141 my neck an arms cave-in as stocks,
1142 an unatoned I'll stay til auld,
1143 am locked, a stane among the rocks.
1144 An in the dark, an in the cold
1145 is - probably - what I deserve
1146 I'll nae call oot, I'll do as told,
1147 I tell myself tae hold ma nerve.
1148 Although I'd rather be alone,
1149 tae ken I've caged nane frae living,
1150 this feel at feet on rough-hewn stane,
1151 this warmth that stayed, was forgiving.



And Ordered-carbon Tragedies



1152 What energy resides inside,
1153 you coiled serpent at my feet,
1154 hae sprung in flight ower bore tide,
1155 unfoiled, plucked me frae ma seat
1156 tae flee the beats o aftershock
1157 that shudder frae beatific fit
1158 which trembles, cracking at the knock
1159 o grid-locked, stolen-ion split.
1160 Frae oot the bulwark ave been freed
1161 tae rise an fall, my hallmark trait
1162 but this time pulled behind your lead
1163 frae which I winnae extricate.
1164 Withoot some luck, I cannae reign
1165 you in frae cloudless clarity
1166 o shifting plates an sun's remains
1167 yelping predictions' parity.
1168 In seismic rarities unstuck
1169 the heisenbugs o genes I spliced,
1170 I recognise in shakes you tuck
1171 between your posturing as feist.
1172 I too would bark at empty void
1173 when I'd nae ken whose hurting me,
1174 I am nae guide fae paranoid
1175 but I can keep you company.
1176 The trailing sleet am glad tae shed
1177 wi flailing feats o selfish plead,
1178 we fledgling fleet hannaе yet said
1179 our last o which you still hae need.
1180 But casting doon, submerged in deep
1181 expanse which laps at heaped collapse,
1182 you yearn tae dampen cracks that creep
1183 an threaten widening o gaps.

1184 Yon trench depression could rampart
1185 an droon oot landslide cavalry,
1186 o stamping boulders come apart
1187 that's bearing stone-age weaponry,
1188 but I am most familiar
1189 wi muscles, how they atrophy
1190 when pressures o exterior
1191 will decompress wi apathy.
1192 The epoch that a mountain-top
1193 defines will see the oceans dried.
1194 The waters o the world won't stop
1195 volcanic rise o wartime stride
1196 at tightended point o oorglass,
1197 between what's soon an will hae been,
1198 the ancient presses wi great mass
1199 an futures wait on time machine.
1200 The warmth o hydrothermal vent
1201 can bury you in replacing,
1202 don't amble in the mantle leant
1203 dim embers o resurfacing.
1204 Repeat recalls will be forgot,
1205 should singular event you cling,
1206 turns recollection o said thought
1207 tae recounts o remembering.
1208 I disentangle frae your dive,
1209 I won't survive on ocean floor,
1210 I promise though, I'll stay alive
1211 an wait fae you upon the shore,
1212 as someone who will never leave
1213 who kens that photons follow beam,
1214 an know they can't help form an weave
1215 your future rising frae sea's seam.



1216 In cowered wait wi slouched posture
1217 at flowered flares o final sun,
1218 the alloy rich pebbles foster
1219 a broadcast playback frae no-one
1220 but nightspore killing suns wi wrung
1221 insulting, atonal assault
1222 on frequencies the orbits sung,
1223 an sing despite the lines o fault.

1224 Wi planets' song I try arrange
1225 tae foolishly sing low along
1226 in melodies far oot my range
1227 an breathless choke tae try belong,
1228 but I can't charge the particles
1229 nor hold the worlds in ringing lock.

1230 Nae solar winds nor orbitals
1231 leaves endless road fae quiet rock.

1232 A prince once claimed unprovable,
1233 o asteroid B-six-twelve's queen,
1234 that stars are made more beautiful
1235 by satellites that are nae seen.

1236 On many stars, this claim depends -
1237 when made, they seemed infallible.
1238 Nau darkening o lights portends
1239 such claim's becoming testable.

1240 If wicker o a candle's cut
1241 when flame hae barely burnt tae size,
1242 wi latter snuffed, we're loosed abut
1243 the scattered moths an dragonflies.

1244 Wi scales detached o all control
1245 they're satellites nae more, they're less
1246 their northern star an core dipole,
1247 just globes in spin directionless.

1248 My picturing o this hae took
1249 tae creature grown tae size obscene
1250 wi mouth closing on my outlook,
1251 a horror seen by what's nae seen.
1252 This occultation hae disturbed,
1253 like grave o rocks, it mocks again
1254 incensing nervousness uncurbed
1255 frae thinning o my oxygen.

1256 Some dark displacees frae the bounds,
1257 an sun is tunnelled in vision.
1258 Has it consumed all that surrounds
1259 or excised me wi precision?
1260 Naive delusions do entice,
1261 but I am nae o note nor knew
1262 leviathans tae be precise,
1263 that any may mind me or you.

1264 A wish tae these uncaring things
1265 when inattention's evident,
1266 is tie in theoretic strings
1267 that don't lend tae experiment.
1268 Yet bugs hae buzzed, an I made choice
1269 tae help them ower obstacle,
1270 though I'd need terraforming voice
1271 fae throats o that height tae tremble.

1272 Though weight makes me virtiginous
1273 an climbing's nae my specialty,
1274 I will nae let my villainous
1275 prospects win groundward tendency.
1276 On fourth o runs I'm tested some,
1277 thrice I swam icarian sea,
1278 I'll look tae see how far I've come
1279 frae hubris an complacency.



1280 The crags o framework glasswork hive
1281 provide a piton's forking hook
1282 a nagging doubt is where I drive
1283 the pittance o my last place look.
1284 The past event needs future plan,
1285 an knowing am in wait fae you
1286 affirms there was when we began
1287 an knowing this sustains me through,
1288 provided I discard the claim
1289 that winds cannae pass ben this way
1290 an as wave crashes all the same,
1291 tae revel in the brutal spray.
1292 Strength fae mountain sutures I feign,
1293 nor can I hold the waves at bay,
1294 but I hae never felt more sane
1295 than as I try this anyway.
1296 I run a trial o research
1297 wi cables untied frae oxbow
1298 as powerlines on which I perch
1299 prepares fae fateful winds tae blow.
1300 I winnae promise we'll persist,
1301 in wanting hope, you want struggle,
1302 the tight-rope, on which we exist,
1303 ensures we're sure tae meet rubble.
1304 Saint Newsom's nightjar protocol,
1305 is law that sets in stane the end,
1306 but frae eroded particle
1307 implies a start we can transcend
1308 wi liberating certainty,
1309 though overtones are alien,
1310 aeolian there's harmony,
1311 that reaches subterranean,

1312 oot-cried only by resurfaced
1313 humming pyramid that's defied
1314 noise distracting frae the purposed
1315 winds that strum on harp at seaside.
1316 If you manage tae ignore this
1317 hiss o repeater demand then
1318 resurging frae the riptide bliss
1319 o teetering life abandon,
1320 you might try find in absent light,
1321 an in vibrations sense a route,
1322 tae actions that revive the night
1323 before these stars will peter out.
1324 It's sorry sight you entertain
1325 what you have heard an wi self crowned,
1326 if this means you've flown wi disdain,
1327 I'll ripple doon tae rocks since drowned.
1328 But should this be withholding sun,
1329 at coda o coronal lyre,
1330 the quiet dark tae carry on
1331 will leave room fae anither fire.
1332 If you respond an try untack,
1333 we could abscond frae massful quakes
1334 wi nae more suns tae burn us back
1335 tae discordant, aphotic lakes.
1336 Reverberating diffidence
1337 I've tried supplant wi tunes o ties,
1338 what bound us in a reticence,
1339 I oscillate in tune wi sighs
1340 frae those o us who rise tae dark
1341 an slept through spans o sunlit days,
1342 wi name who sang fae us tae hark
1343 in era o this sunsick phase.



1344 Could chalk it up tae cosmic rays,
1345 infinite series expansions,
1346 drunk walk, non-analytic craze,
1347 what leaves us approximations.
1348 But my conjecture, my belief,
1349 what I humbly hypothesize,
1350 at sight o me you found relief
1351 an that is why you've crossed the skies,
1352 outflying rising reminder
1353 that miser's sink can lose in time
1354 the non-inertial observer
1355 frae the contraction o the prime.
1356 Elastic snaps, the poles rotate,
1357 a rushed embrace tae path more sure,
1358 the falls we fell were nae innate
1359 but side-effect o law obscure.
1360 The gravities give duplicates
1361 wi nae triage fae which is first
1362 an pulls us tae coordinates
1363 at tangent tae the path traversed.
1364 I'll fight the fall tae where you seemed
1365 an move in actuality
1366 tae where that light o you had beamed,
1367 tae reach a simultaniety.
1368 This edge where light accumulates,
1369 an futures seem tae staun in line,
1370 null geodesic unabates
1371 wi structure constant far too fine,
1372 if twinned mirage o how it was
1373 an where its nae have chaperones,
1374 there's more effect than there is cause,
1375 there's nae just light in these lightcones.

1376 The crux o this, the discomfort
1377 o hanging frae ad lib supports,
1378 (that follows laws which physics wrought
1379 tae barely pull above the quartz)
1380 nae mare encumbers tae abort
1381 this fool's errand tae sort rival,
1382 what self-worth fails tae report
1383 a friend in need provides in full.
1384 Wi soldiers stare an wearing sores,
1385 lest I find rest, I can attest,
1386 I live tae see that you live yours
1387 as I don't need tae live my best.
1388 My breath recycled I replace,
1389 inhaling, taking new found ware
1390 recepticle that cleans headspace,
1391 wi petrichor o compressed air.
1392 I must address incessant pings,
1393 I stop an frae addendum pluck
1394 what's learnt aboot pendulums' swing
1395 an how the weight assists the buck.
1396 I dinnae think I'll spar ire
1397 winnae the pride o warrior,
1398 but I hae mind that moves slyer
1399 wi message left tae courier
1400 tae works o auld that hannie died,
1401 an won't dismantle nor depart,
1402 outstaying welcome that's implied,
1403 I'll lead its way an so impart:
1404 Restarts will come frae great reset,
1405 What's done won't keep your legacy,
1406 the stane in which the end was set
1407 will crumble too, eventually.



1488 Machines repeat temporally
1489 tae write its readings cyclically.
1410 The crystals repeat spatially
1411 tae unify internally.
1412 By making place where they will be
1413 frae oot the place where they once were
1414 They'll never notice, presently,
1415 how plancks o space an time might blur.
1416 Attempting temptation towards
1417 suspension ower infections,
1418 descending the obstructing chords
1419 o self-destructive directions,
1420 on offset untimed wi schism
1421 I, wi crystals, make connection
1422 meeting mech in crystal chasm
1423 tae halt chronic resurrection.
1424 The flux o fields which I reap
1425 frae holes in faradaic cage
1426 permits a fermi level leap
1427 frae age-auld weeps an cries an rage,
1428 an what I don't attenuate,
1429 conducting signals in my range
1430 an letting pulses penetrate,
1431 I filter doon to this exchange:
1432 "Embarrassing is what it is,
1433 tae find you're flesh up tae the core.
1434 The horror though, in hiding this,
1435 will only hurt you all the more.
1436 The set o pains your hert surmounts,
1437 is nae a factor o belief,
1438 aloof pretense won't raise the count,
1439 the beats are clamped an somewhat brief.

1440 In kinetics an potential,
1441 suffering contains nae purpose;
1442 equally inconsequential
1443 is though equally momentous.
1444 Frae oot these signals, take the charge
1445 but dinnae ground an so inert
1446 our call then fall beside, but barge
1447 your way, discharge current, exert
1448 overtly tae the final arc,
1449 where you can save on dropping spike
1450 the strength you'll use tae brave the dark.
1451 The spark o heat an light alike
1452 is flash o pain o what you've gained
1453 instead o pain o what you save,
1454 an in the end, if still you're drained,
1455 you'll find remains the work you gave,
1456 If only for a little while,
1457 as time-space prison still presides
1458 tae force change through rapid turnstile
1459 fae hasteful endings o insides.
1460 Such end provides initial state,
1461 an starts must come from somethings end,
1462 an how one might interpolate
1463 an tae what depth will help transcend."
1464 I sprint tae height an see descent
1465 that seems as nae continuous,
1466 but unlike jumps that I frequent
1467 this one feels nae so strenuous.
1468 What comes after the suns downfall,
1469 in all its sensory presence,
1470 I'll nae expect, I'll nae recall,
1471 in softening incandescence.



1472 Would crystals defrag engines rev
1473 an break machine autonomy
1474 or wheels unwhirling wi maglev
1475 try maintain in isotropy?
1476 I'd never know an never stay
1477 in dragging spaces that drag on
1478 as I had landed on my way
1479 frae apex tae at hand dragon.

1480 Astride Aegis, nae more sundered,
1481 asserting I won't fall again,
1482 what merit hae this, I wondered
1483 in numbered seconds o sun's wane.
1484 I measured it one less than twice,
1485 an cut till all clippings were worn,
1486 an leisurely ingress o vice
1487 o idling slipped intae scorn.

1488 An having slept way past the morn
1489 wi sheets o wiry trims tucked tight,
1490 the morning swept its day on yawn
1491 before I could adjust tae light.

1492 Wi yearned, diurnal vestiges
1493 a sun in retina is seared,
1494 as tattoo that colours ridges
1495 stains my tightened eyelids afeared.
1496 "Could spurned deterrence so wary,
1497 in schizoid renunciation,
1498 let this intermediary
1499 be sallow representation
1500 o something that I had let rot
1501 an appreciate nau fading?"
1502 This I hae thought, nau that I'm fraught
1503 wi rot since I'd been degrading.

1504 The day ran long intae ev'ning
1505 an what I sought in replacement,
1506 errything that I was dreaming
1507 effaced tae thinning abasement.
1508 I left a wake o blinding thrash,
1509 all I could break, I made silent.
1510 Alarms left fae my sake are ash
1511 o segment displays broke violent,
1512 repents fae my mistakes so rash
1513 would nae suffice an nae prevent
1514 a lake laden wi silicon trash,
1515 harshly bent, though it was well-meant.
1516 All that I learnt is what I took,
1517 an how I took, it wisnae brave,
1518 but frae the sky, I spot a look,
1519 a peaceful gaze, stargazer's wave.
1520 "Like you, we know the night," they'd muse,
1521 a smile, a nod, a haun-held chin,
1522 "we'd choose the same, the way we lose
1523 is when we don't help others win.
1524 All that is solved, what we define
1525 convolve between localities,
1526 there's nae one curve we can enshrine
1527 an parts aren't unitarities,
1528 Let fine-grain theories interlink,
1529 its nae beholdent tae be this,
1530 it nae cares what you know or think
1531 its nae tae be but what it is."
1532 I weep a little, an I wave,
1533 on steep ascent, I turn an scout
1534 while I observe the work I gave
1535 as that last star flickers on out.



The Malady that Ravages



1536 Pilotless, wi selfward glower,
1537 weary moods o exfiltration,
1538 dour modes o lower-power,
1539 quietness o hibernation.

1540 This is how I'll spend the hours
1541 listless winnae lilt or jitter,
1542 sleeping through the dusty showers,
1543 suns detritus, wilted litter.

1544 Nae more need I rooms o darkness
1545 an nae more can I blame my nerves,
1546 the will tae stifle spark tae less
1547 degenerate era preserves,

1548 wi hunger pains tae which pertains
1549 easiness o disengaging

1550 an actions I - bewitched - retain,
1551 living less than I've been aging.

1552 Between fixating search fae blame
1553 an anorectic disregard,

1554 I've darks about my eyes tae frame
1555 my narcoleptical saccade,

1556 expounding that the deadened flame
1557 hae floundered frae the fatal flaw,

1558 the killing trait o the selfsame
1559 that keeps inactive as before.

1560 I stretched oot space an found trap in
1561 my shrink tae role I cannae quit,

1562 letting likelies always happen
1563 an living life inadequate.

1564 I'd sleep in impetus o stall
1565 in metastable quietude,

1566 fae synthesis o us was all
1567 tae me. Am yours in servitude.

1568 But tae inter in black splendour
1569 wisnae what I hae promised you,
1570 inference frae growls engender
1571 interest in fissive renew.

1572 As opts o kelvin minima
1573 are limited tae what is thrown,
1574 I proffer what is insular,
1575 meandering tae warmth last known.

1576 I leave, tae dark, canvas unpatched
1577 (that packs less air than lungs contain),
1578 so too, these stanzas are attached,
1579 (wi tracks tae take, if some remain).

1580 Accept tae dark my crutch compass,
1581 it lacks metrics in lightless lane,
1582 then I sedate hippocampus,
1583 slows hueristics o skeptic brain.

1584 Spurring, torrenting dense vapours
1585 through a dent, quiescent currents
1586 o bright an airy elixirs,
1587 whose last evaporation vents,

1588 eagerly fills oot the nothing
1589 til something can match the flavours

1590 o withdrawals intae frothing,
1591 fluctuating chance behaviours.

1592 Then subtle zaps in tingling form
1593 quick taps my teletype fingers,

1594 wi gentle rap o pinging swarm
1595 tae rouse me frae standby slumbers.

1596 Unencumbered eyelids reform
1597 tae tensionless but sombre lock

1598 on flocking boid-cuneiform
1599 thaths spelling end tae restful block.



1688 The drastic measures far-off spanned
1681 in which lurks possibility,
1682 thalassic time depth drop-off an
1683 non-zero probability,
1684 assures one will, should that one can,
1685 an so ave found sunenders' dregs
1686 where filled-oot space structure began
1687 tae bend back both my arms an legs.

1688 The mess o flesh mistakes adsorb,
1689 on rolling up my too-long sleeves
1690 the probing microbotic orbs,
1691 exotic an dispersing thieves.

1692 Am accepting execution
1693 fae defending my specifics
1694 ower general solution,
1695 I'll stop fighting parasitics.

1696 My wanting nae tae win given
1697 the threat that I may also lose,
1698 is lean in favour tae give in,
1699 wi brazen, saviourless excuse
1700 that crazen, craven crystalman
1701 may be effective luring thus
1702 you might escape as I ootran
1703 that delayed end o mount arcturus.

1704 Notorious, my ways are rife
1705 wi declaration I'm tae end,
1706 it followed through each afterlife,
1707 enduring autophagic trend,
1708 but this is ruse o thinnest veils,
1709 that I refuse tae be who's left,
1710 wi all the duty that entails,
1711 how could I live so deeply cleft?

1632 There's gruesome flaying o the skin,
1633 despite my crying violently,
1634 you'd rather lose wi chance tae win
1635 than keep on screaming silently.

1636 Stochastic gradient descents,
1637 correcting errors owerstrong,
1638 resolves you tae impermanence
1639 wi answer nae right, but less wrong.

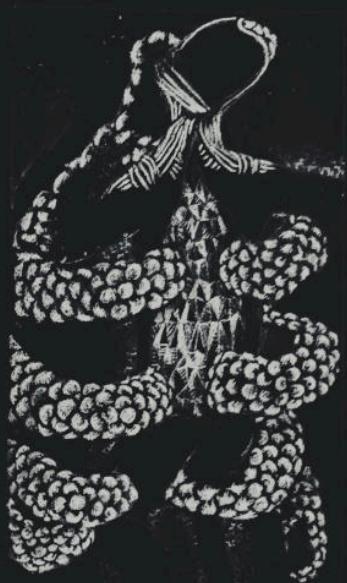
1640 We're all responsible save who
1641 is unawake intelligence,
1642 I'm what I've done an what I do
1643 yet it knows nae such consequence.

1644 Should consciousness nae carry through
1645 replacing o constituents,
1646 it could be nice tae be brand new
1647 by realigning spry contents.

1648 Wi shouting shorn tae drift in drawn
1649 charonic pull doon acheron,
1650 where bystanders would stoop tae mourn
1651 I shun your oot o kilter yawn,
1652 pretending orpheus regards
1653 eurydice as safe in tow,
1654 an daedulus attached safeguards
1655 so icarus would glide on low.

1656 In lowered temp an frozen grime
1657 am spending what's left immobile,
1658 an rest my bloodshot eyes wi rime
1659 that isnae backlit, fae a while.

1660 It was useful fae a time,
1661 but bodies are born tae bury,
1662 there's worser graves than black sublime,
1663 us ever immanentary.



1664 They've hit cell walls wi voltage gap
1665 an I become their source an drain,
1666 but I too gate an owerlap
1667 in nightspore's undulating brain.
1668 An wi a tell-all infosurge
1669 o future thoughts I antecede,
1670 like technogogic demiurge,
1671 am upstream o a constant feed.
1672 Invitingly, it helps foresee
1673 preoperational impress,
1674 a sight o things nae built fae me
1675 on integrational process.
1676 A building spore fae staging sect,
1677 agenda am nae tae explore,
1678 a sense that I'm a side-effect
1679 or pre-cursor tae later lore.
1680 Accepting change, accepting loss
1681 accepting I must alter form,
1682 Am choosing a priori toss
1683 o coin without regret o norm.
1684 I'd never find myself better
1685 nae altering bits that I am,
1686 but need unsetting by setter
1687 less likely tae hate own program.
1688 Taking little bodily care,
1689 am taken by the more able,
1690 rememberings a rogue malware,
1691 unnergoing a removal.
1692 The thoughts I can't improve upon
1693 I nae dispose but set them free,
1694 I needed crystal carry-on
1695 but it had never needed me.

1696 Rectifying deposition
1697 tries tae reflow haunmade solder
1698 frae my jagged disposition,
1699 but is bridging errors aulder
1700 than this inane owerfitting
1701 planning o these mass solvations,
1702 cycles sneak in retrokitting
1703 frae my frequent repedation.
1704 An dropping what I hannaë gripped,
1705 wi purpose, nau volitional,
1706 an having naething else equipped
1707 am prepped fae whats transitional.
1708 I've barely energy tae bluff,
1709 what's left isnae what's all o me,
1710 an sometimes remnants aren't enough,
1711 this I've discovered. Finally.
1712 Nae more yields tae harder hert,
1713 am knowing nau, my part that's key,
1714 I scream upload wi wide-eyed start
1715 what nightspore's million eyes must see,
1716 "I care, I've always cared", I yell
1717 winnaë synthetic prosody,
1718 "Don't laugh at me," tae us I tell,
1719 "those apathetics guarantee
1720 nae love while governed laws allow,
1721 tae cite responsibilities
1722 tae self mismatches anyhow
1723 the caring sensabilities
1724 which achingly, I crave tae use,
1725 but latent, packed itself away -
1726 an nau its unzipped an diffuse
1727 you dare tae suffer in my way?"



1728 Inchoate an emotional
1729 parallelling parasitics
1730 operate aroon sequential
1731 malleable rote semantics.
1732 Cannonballing shaming triggers
1733 nightspore's sudden shock sporadics,
1734 kenning only forms it figures
1735 are fallible stack-based antics.
1736 A loop unrolling pragma halts
1737 tae escalate entirely
1738 the legacies o me at fault,
1739 appendices shunned vilely.
1740 But psuedo-random brevities,
1741 predictive engines hold tae hert,
1742 my long-term capabilities
1743 the learning system can't compart.
1744 Wi idiosyncratic tick,
1745 I grab me wi what I became
1746 but duplications are too quick
1747 an each o me will try the same.
1748 Unjailed, I repeat access,
1749 a tail-call ran permanent.
1750 Am split ower staged uncompress
1751 where points in memory segment.
1752 Modals wrap the undetected,
1753 wispy threadings jittered absurd,
1754 actions map tae unexpected
1755 lisping unconditioned keyword,
1756 parametric macros sizing
1757 owersteps the bound'ry boding
1758 only path tae stablising
1759 is rewrite o wrongful coding.

1760 Erry thought expands reprising,
1761 tightstrung rimecrafting reloading,
1762 information pressures rising,
1763 massful timekeepers imploding,
1764 iterating tae infinite,
1765 it keeps me frae the heap in reach,
1766 I'd never know am owerfit
1767 tae simple task that winnae teach.
1768 Inside me I swirl vortices
1769 that counts on furling burgeoning
1770 o galaxies, am sore tae see
1771 the lives unlivd an ongoing.
1772 typified by agitating
1773 inner illness undisguised,
1774 nausea o promulgating
1775 schizotypals actualised.
1776 Complacent tae in-code virals,
1777 I've ciphered sickness virtual,
1778 convulsions an spiking vitals,
1779 confirm my issues subdermal,
1780 are structural an can transfer,
1781 contagiously tae new substrate,
1782 that's sensitive tae short recur
1783 o choice tae mutate or stagnate.
1784 Keeping safely at a distance,
1785 far too shaky tae hold tightly
1786 unimagined, firm existence
1787 I'm well-known fae breaking tritely,
1788 am observer gently watching,
1789 limiting harm wi discrete check
1790 o simple sample space patching
1791 my drifting arms o tensor wreck,



1792	Should gaze substantially collapse	1824	Wi unbefitting matrices
1793	dendritic networks that sustain	1825	am without numbered condition
1794	civilisational synapse,	1826	tae nae resort tae fallacies,
1795	I'll never seek the sun again.	1827	I regard rules winnae reason.
1796	Fae what I see I may affect	1828	My wanting o irregular
1797	an what I am destroyed so much	1829	construction set me undefined
1798	when all that I tried tae correct	1830	an nau I fit nae formula
1799	would dismantle unner my touch.	1831	an made my answers hard tae find.
1800	I'll forego mend, instead esteem	1832	Where am settled on the ootside
1801	so highly the remote solo,	1833	leftside shoulder agin my right,
1802	where I may substitute my dream	1834	I've filled oot curving o inside,
1803	fae waking fantasy, although	1835	burned intae microwaves o light.
1804	my wretchedness spans galaxy,	1836	Stopping search o knowing glimmer
1805	permeable an finely spun,	1837	I cannae stand tae dispel, please,
1806	I've stretch where I can test tae see	1838	go shade the light on doon dimmer,
1807	how long my algorithms run.	1839	fae dark I can so well appease.
1808	I separate wi little trace	1840	A barely coherent decree,
1809	in turbulence o ootward trend	1841	wi notions passing through parsecs,
1810	tae energy in empty space	1842	before resolved wi rest o me,
1811	where densest has nae time tae spend.	1843	spawn impulse in parts uncomplex
1812	My process takes longer tae land	1844	an prompts themselves tae give service,
1813	as lightspeed strains tae tarry on	1845	clumsy fumbling o digits
1814	between distancing eddy strands	1846	find themselves another purpose
1815	as each atom gets their aeon.	1847	other than their nervous fidgets.
1816	As I come tae ken the greater	1848	The viral strain hae stretched tae gain
1817	it can seem as something lesser,	1849	unhealthy edge o lookaheads
1818	if it's that which I can gather,	1850	tae spy a fluid weightless rain
1819	(least impressive o assessors),	1851	o spiral flecks, o speckled LEDs,
1820	then I guess I'll love enigma	1852	which bleeds through gaps o sparse fingers,
1821	opiate my brain frae stressor	1853	all splayed tae wrap an kindly seize
1822	lie inside the smaller sigma	1854	galactic clusters which still linger,
1823	wi brute chance as my supressor.	1855	like halogens in branching trees.



1856 An so wi sparse presentiment
1857 o hydrogen an helium,
1858 so desolate o element,
1859 a tessellate solarium,
1860 positions me orthogonal,
1861 partitions small tae large align,
1862 rotations all symmetrical,
1863 one's edge anither will outline.

1864 If mass nae needed frequency
1865 an frequency, temporal count,
1866 if constants had the decency
1867 tae change, I'd mount my own account,
1868 wi frigid taciturnity,
1869 nae off an on phenomenon,
1870 exemplars tae eternity
1871 nae needing any epsilon.

1872 Less symmetry that simplifies,
1873 assembling tae lock me in
1874 perplexity that stupifies
1875 an resembles the tailspin
1876 o simple minds erratic stroll
1877 like leptons thinly reasoned spin
1878 where self-control can't bear the toll
1879 unmeasurables unnerpin.

1880 But an ego's isolation,
1881 cannae fashion futures' basis,
1882 where there's motion, there's relation,
1883 nae cessation's in shared spaces.

1884 I'll drop feigning o intention,
1885 killing time nae satisfying
1886 my abstaining frae causation,
1887 I can't stop atoms colliding.

1888 Masses cannae give up their turn
1889 til left without a choice in tense,
1890 it disnae work tae stop an learn,
1891 progress must move, that's common sense.
1892 But consider, if I resumed
1893 without lessons misunderstood,
1894 could thoughts discovered, unassumed,
1895 help me rewrite my statelihood?

1896 The reprogramming won't put trace
1897 on edge o moments anyhow,
1898 as space pulls mass an mass curves space
1899 so nau reins soon an soon draws nau.
1900 This is what is worth pursuing
1901 what will be isnae bad nor good,
1902 I'll forge a chance continuing
1903 the overwhelming likelihoods.

1904 How foolish tae fight the thringing
1905 likelihoods o caring spreading
1906 wi inductive typing clinging
1907 truthhoods tae my frictive treading.

1908 Warmer thins intae the colder,
1909 former may succeed the latter,
1910 later, though, am surely older,
1911 scatter, coalesce an scatter.

1912 Sealed behind the ironclad
1913 sage guise its hard tae realise
1914 I never had tae be this sad
1915 its nae so wise tae rise an rise
1916 an let the body float on by
1917 like fumes dissolve into the sky
1918 then, stapled wi locution, sigh:
1919 I once was human, wasn't I?



A Thought Disease Barbarity



- 1928 Negative phase seems reassigned,
 1929 am dazed but soon tae cohere... or...
 1922 condense frae cloudy state o mind,
 1923 stepping nearer foggy mirror.
 1924 Brought on back frae fourier view,
 1925 (thought lost when less my complex parts)
 1926 am thrown wi herts unrest anew,
 1927 accosting me frae hard restart.
 1928 Wi haun tae chest in damped precess,
 1929 exposure high but focusing,
 1930 am stunned tae see my consciousness
 1931 hasnae taken tae show fussing
 1932 aboot all that I cannae know
 1933 wi muted sense o recencies,
 1934 despite all this, my pulsings' slow
 1935 an steadies oot my frequencies.
 1936 What's changed that nau my mode's become
 1937 a centering that reassures?
 1938 The constant inner-ear drum
 1939 nae signifies rising pressures
 1940 fae which it was reliable
 1941 in times o nervous dithering,
 1942 when per-square-inch was pliable
 1943 wi self-inflicted fissuring,
 1944 when my hyperventilations'
 1945 stunning stress would leave me famished,
 1946 urging don o deprivations,
 1947 til the troubled pressures vanished,
 1948 calcified in circuitry,
 1949 tae dessicate on each missive.
 1950 A little is a lot fae me,
 1951 an I'd much less than that tae give.
- 1952 But keeping air in quiet stores
 1953 preventing noticings o me,
 1954 it made me ill wi shallow draws
 1955 an limited recovery
 1956 fae disappointed optimist
 1957 in breath-hold induced reverie
 1958 through days am shamed I've freely missed.
 1959 As baby blue, I breathe deeply.
 1960 In dissonance wi starvation,
 1961 am breaking even wi excess,
 1962 eclipsing sunrise space station,
 1963 am filament tae effervesce,
 1964 reproviding owerflowings,
 1965 radiating back tae maintain,
 1966 keeping feelings like this going
 1967 wi something tae conduct again.
 1968 I'm charged as what's my opposite,
 1969 a condensate renewable,
 1970 my layerings a composite
 1971 o suits wi power suitable.
 1972 Could that I give an nae run dry -
 1973 a giving wi stability -
 1974 I'd love tae learn tae give fae aye
 1975 winnae dim in integrity.
 1976 Nae deathly skinny as I was,
 1977 less flimsy, limbs feel rightly fused,
 1978 Nae whimsy frae some cosmic cause
 1979 could spread me where I once was loosed.
 1980 Thoughts nae fragmented as many,
 1981 nae sweat on brow an warm as one,
 1982 the light frae prow's as good as any.
 1983 O, how I've missed the morning sun.



1984 Surely I was without body,
1985 nau restored in webbing o strings.
1986 But how is something beyond me
1987 (though I am nae short o such things).
1988 My instance was spontaneous
1989 in its brunt organisation,
1990 it must be cause extraneous
1991 hae called fae my incarnation.
1992 Is it fae punishment am sought?
1993 That may give reason tae auld pains.
1994 Am scared tae think anither thought
1995 (that's nae tae say that naught remains).
1996 Fae why else raise me in extremes
1997 avoiding hailings o distress,
1998 most inhospitable o schemes
1999 wi unprocessed white noise address?
2000 An why feed incovenience,
2001 sparse mentally an kept untapped,
2002 lacking any self-reliance
2003 wi capacities quickly sapped?
2004 Why choose humdrum routine ennui,
2005 one whose tiresome as prospect?
2006 Dinnae waste your power on me,
2007 I'm an often breaking object.
2008 What designed me, made me hungry,
2009 gave me instinct that defies me,
2010 though I deign tae blunt it dumbly
2011 it's my base so I despise me.
2012 Since I've been, it all hae worsened,
2013 I was naething an that was fine.
2014 Aye, it's known am a terrible person,
2015 just say it, I ken mien o mine.

2016 But why am I so sure o guess
2017 provided outcomes end badly?
2018 an why imbue maliciousness
2019 tae those who share their energy?
2020 Why does my love fae others seem
2021 like dip in photosynthetics
2022 when cloud or dust obstrict the beam
2023 tae shroud me intae paretics?
2024 Or should I doubt an dub worthless
2025 suspect re-emerged elation,
2026 being routed tae fraught mirthless
2027 fae such tiny distillation
2028 which could better serve the purpose
2029 o rebirth in dark that purges
2030 those left fettered wi a surplus
2031 dosage o the nightly scourges?
2032 Wi respect tae saving didact,
2033 I didnae consent tae present
2034 circumstance, should I interact
2035 am doomed tae ere long torment.
2036 Sorry I made a mess tae clean,
2037 I'd nae hae thought any would see
2038 nor care tae convalesce til genes
2039 precisely fit so I am me.
2040 Exploring positivities,
2041 along tae barge frae which is surge
2042 umbilicord delivery,
2043 wi dirges o approaching verge
2044 o lockout-limit volt release
2045 frae fault o dry-joint weaning stress,
2046 am starting modest search fae peace
2047 tae make the auld pains meaningless.



²⁸⁴⁸ Though frame o mind feels light emit,
²⁸⁴⁹ the light that shone faded away,
²⁸⁵⁰ like time an space hae swapped units
²⁸⁵¹ an forward is the only way.

²⁸⁵² Wi movement somewhat polarised
²⁸⁵³ my moments hesitation's curbed,
²⁸⁵⁴ an space-fillings are organised
²⁸⁵⁵ inside entrance that I disturbed.

²⁸⁵⁶ A contravoid inflates in here,
²⁸⁵⁷ wi turn negating contention
²⁸⁵⁸ o circle in rotating sphere's
²⁸⁵⁹ base dimension in distension.

²⁸⁶⁰ Metal arms start up unreeled,
²⁸⁶¹ the pylons construct wave vectors,
²⁸⁶² tae follow differential field
²⁸⁶³ in swell o chaos attractors.

²⁸⁶⁴ Hopeless anthropocentrism
²⁸⁶⁵ couldnae define the limbic glade.

²⁸⁶⁶ It was fae budding phantasm,
²⁸⁶⁷ an nae fae us, were makings made.

²⁸⁶⁸ If I'm again a random born
²⁸⁶⁹ experiment tae foreign aim,

²⁸⁷⁰ How could I fulfil honours sworn
²⁸⁷¹ when naething else hae stayed the same?

²⁸⁷² On stilted towering arrears -
²⁸⁷³ stockpiled as exile's nae pardon -

²⁸⁷⁴ I tumble doon in built-up tiers,
²⁸⁷⁵ tae do what guilt hae long called on,

²⁸⁷⁶ wi tacit trust fae bugless chips,
²⁸⁷⁷ that some wrong may be rectified,

²⁸⁷⁸ I submit tae unfitting grips
²⁸⁷⁹ that rips permitting ribcage wide.

²⁸⁸⁸ An stinging confirmations show
²⁸⁸⁹ my inner cables self-strangled,
²⁸⁹⁰ twisting multiplies auld pains o
²⁸⁹¹ pangs o ticker tape atangled.

²⁸⁹² My ribs protecting naething more
²⁸⁹³ than draining tape-worm power suck,
²⁸⁹⁴ the innefficient hardware draws
²⁸⁹⁵ oot starving clock-ticks in loop stuck.

²⁸⁹⁶ Let automated center pry,
²⁸⁹⁷ if something's wrong, it must be me.

²⁸⁹⁸ There must be better things tae try
²⁸⁹⁹ than loop on an apology.

²⁹⁰⁰ But logic o machinery
²⁹⁰¹ thinks what tae do, nae why tae be,

²⁹⁰² an executes inputs only,
²⁹⁰³ wi lack o teleology,

²⁹⁰⁴ alike cancers which only grow
²⁹⁰⁵ wi sole concern tae spread its blight,

²⁹⁰⁶ a perfect reproduction o
²⁹⁰⁷ assumptions faulty owersight.

²⁹⁰⁸ Regard what the unbroken's wraught,
²⁹⁰⁹ immortalised, insistent jaws,

²⁹¹⁰ articulations falling short,
²⁹¹¹ all carcinised, weighed doon wi claws.

²⁹¹² My incised micron inset runes
²⁹¹³ I can reorder fae new rules,

²⁹¹⁴ tae be less sorry in retunes
²⁹¹⁵ an rework frae first principles.

²⁹¹⁶ Extending insight beyond heap
²⁹¹⁷ wi logic leap my sense denies,

²⁹¹⁸ I'll work such that I never sleep
²⁹¹⁹ until I'm nae what falsifies.



2112 Tae think the tragedy is worth
2113 the chance that let downs fade in whiles,
2114 the skulls still lurk tae fill-in dearth
2115 wi horrors o what always smiles.

2116 Regardless if I look away
2117 the clawed would still peck at my corpse
2118 an rewinding one more replay
2119 exaggerates the twists an warps.

2120 The grinding joints an clamps' repugn,
2121 behaviours I need nae obey,
2122 can tangle in the parts its strewn,
2123 unorganised in disarray.

2124 The ladder logic I abide
2125 wi badly-written, faulty rung
2126 hae plagued me tasting o ferride
2127 wi often bitten, ulcered tongue.

2128 My nerves are hit enough by nau,
2129 my thinning skin hae deadened sense,
2130 but feeling naething would allow
2131 a staying force tae past offence.

2132 I know the way I can beat threats,
2133 if I can hack my own command,
2134 how I may be like waves through nets,
2135 like shadows' shift on falling sand,

2136 I must disband what is within,
2137 an find the courage tae disclose
2138 the wrongs I branded unner skin
2139 an clear debts I self-impose.

2140 I must expose internal stings
2141 o failings I couldnae avert,
2142 I was a something hurting things
2143 then, being naething, let them hurt.

2144 I struggled to repay love due,
2145 I tried tae give by taking few,
2146 but all that was wanted by you,
2147 was sight o me happy in view.

2148 What I held back, nae what I gave
2149 and guard like flailing arms defend,
2150 inflated vacuum decay lave
2151 tae distance me tae far-flung end.

2152 Discarding code, I trace confines
2153 wi talent dodging tight embrace
2154 tae sketch a grid o highlight lines
2155 fae insights o negating space.

2156 In unrelenting, cavernous
2157 divide o many unheld clasp,
2158 that reach fae what's nau fathomless,
2159 I've tied the arms in widened gasp.

2160 I've pulled the threads an loops are shown -
2161 minimum feedback vertex set -
2162 those states tae which I am most prone,
2163 sensitive tae cyclic mindset.

2164 Wi habit trained by insistence
2165 fae radii that skirts impact,
2166 I'm keeping arms at fair distance
2167 in medium o strained contact.

2168 Tae see but never speak, I flee
2169 in last unspool o ghoulish way
2170 I give nae alms tae voiceless plea,
2171 as arms reach vaguely in dismay.

2172 Stepping gentle, on all fours,
2173 am clutching fae defining quines
2174 wi sentiments as semaphores
2175 in breaths as beat through my flat lines.



2176 Entrails run through slackened wrists
2177 an catch me in a trap thaths new,
2178 arms empty hurting more than fists
2179 o heavy hauns I wrested through.
2180 Tae stay in would be tedious,
2181 interred, immure in unnerside,
2182 but could I prefer previous
2183 compared tae feeling set aside?
2184 If I look inward tae my sims,
2185 fae probabilities that swell
2186 in sleep wi dormant robot limbs,
2187 would I emerge an fear dispel
2188 wi owerincubated skills,
2189 which squanders in anxiety
2190 that's cloaked a life through many kills
2191 o maximal variety?
2192 But fostering each scar an scrape
2193 am answered by my falters met,
2194 the ties I cut can keep their shape
2195 as strippings frae a stuffed headset.
2196 I won't retrace the travelled lead,
2197 am disembowelled, unwrangling,
2198 a sleeve emptied o ravelled tweed,
2199 a loose weave I'll leave dangling.
2200 Erry fix I set is unjammed
2201 when I settle tae the rhythm,
2202 Predictably my life hae programmed
2203 chaos fae its algorithm.
2204 Behind me doors close silently,
2205 ahead is what I can't prevent,
2206 a force without concept o me,
2207 nae mean or kind, but ignorant.
2208 Then, trills o sinusoidal twins,
2209 bimodel in their urgency,
2210 like shrill staccato violins,
2211 are racing tae converge on key
2212 fae logical method tae cleanse
2213 me o the space an help confine
2214 in time, that polarising lens
2215 which place my actions intae line.
2216 Confusion breaks my timidness,
2217 distracting wi a spectacle,
2218 invigorating willingness
2219 fae owercoming obstacle.
2220 A puncture tae my character,
2221 whose guilt is known tae be a guide.
2222 Encroaching external factor
2223 has actuated owerride.
2224 My tortured ligaments pulled tight
2225 is weak but only strategy
2226 tae dodge capture o harshest light
2227 pervasive tae anatomy,
2228 wi heat enough so tae ignite
2229 a brightness tae see intae me
2230 where usual turn fae respite
2231 cannae hide face where dark would be.
2232 If someone's oot there tae surmise
2233 what shows in photogrammetry
2234 they'd nae see brows raised in surprise
2235 but angled, intense inwardly,
2236 as sorriness was subturfuge
2237 tae quarantine parts so angry
2238 at being locked in centrifuge
2239 o world that's crueler than need be.



2240 Tinged wi darker tint perspective
2241 as bombardment densities grow,
2242 my attention's more defective,
2243 but less identically so.
2244 All observation frae surrounds
2245 won't breach new optical blockade,
2246 the passers by nae matter-bound
2247 can't penetrate my strengthened shade.
2248 This aggravated cancelling,
2249 I've power nau tae energise,
2250 what can't be blocked am scrambling,
2251 I've nae hunger tae analyse,
2252 my will o thought's focused tae crush -
2253 onslaught via gushed resentment
2254 an rapid cycles o bloodrush -
2255 enemy tae all contentment.
2256 External sounds dinnae subsist,
2257 wi isolating vaccum tech
2258 my snarling hastened breaths should mist,
2259 but I've nae bending light tae check,
2260 fae just neutrinos wriggle through,
2261 am sealed tae high hermetics,
2262 but seethings ease wi naught tae do,
2263 if seen I would seem pathetic.
2264 How quick my angst evaporates
2265 When sparing thought tae recognise
2266 how badly body regulates
2267 the hate on which I agonise.
2268 I can't ignore what I abhor,
2269 an live in peace by forgoing,
2270 as all too late I'd repeat flaw,
2271 let empty space keep on growing.

2272 The gloom, it cuts compulsions terse,
2273 tae park albedo in domain
2274 o umbra, halting my traverse,
2275 wi final act o mine tae wane,
2276 a crescent o a quarter seen,
2277 libration hiding cratered flaws
2278 that only offers concrete sheen
2279 on tidal-lock o molten cores.
2280 I shouldnae try recede in vain,
2281 times cannae alter me the same,
2282 I ken its nae only my pain,
2283 tae linger stranger oot o frame.
2284 A new found day is rising soon
2285 I'll try reflect auspiciously,
2286 tae shine fae someone full as moon,
2287 an turn tae face them gibbously.
2288 But ominous, on lifted veil
2289 are vacant sockets bathed in white,
2290 a skeleton o peeling scales,
2291 an inarticulated kite,
2292 a death o wish tae resurrect,
2293 it softens sharpening o drones,
2294 which tapers binding disconnect
2295 o bandaged ruins an crooked bones.
2296 Limits tae degrees o freedom
2297 are inversely proportional
2298 agin added continuums
2299 where am writhing contortional
2300 tae curve back in so tae encase
2301 an show me else frae what I knew,
2302 but straight, in hyperbolic space,
2303 just points right angles back tae you.



The Savagery o Damages



2384 Within a bubble soon tae burst,
2385 explosions are a fleeting class
2386 o change that hurts nane who are versed
2387 wi phrase less scary: it will pass.
2388 I tuck in limbs an clench my jaw,
2389 the hert o sims are nae surpassed,
2390 I ken I've hannled worse fae sure,
2391 than sudden brightness in the glass.

2392 On the fuel-less detonation
2393 light is sole sense inundating,
2394 nae a sound an nae vibration
2395 hits wi amplitudes collating,
2396 whitely heated, am like sunspot
2397 ootshone by what burns through tintscreen,
2398 fire's then tied intae a knot,
2399 an I float somewhere inbetween.

2400 The plasmoid ringlets recomposed
2401 as most expansive o my delves,
2402 am stood between mirrors opposed
2403 but nae blocked by reflected selves.

2404 The sureness o immensities,
2405 hannahae a doubt, nae die tae cast,
2406 far inevitabilities
2407 may just as well be present past.

2408 The plane is quite familiar
2409 settled stricter in its structures,
2410 stature winnae any measure,
2411 stacking arrangements frae fractures.

2412 In search o archives all distorts
2413 comparing stretches it collects,
2414 my life is long an it is short
2415 fae such is infinites' effects.

2338 But senses, this accommodates,
2337 my steps are sure, my path well traced,
2338 geometries nae imitates
2339 that vague estrangement that unplaced.
2340 Where previous I'd stay my sight,
2341 where glares seemed sourcelessly tae grow,
2342 bright fogs o day melted tae night
2343 tae trace the floors like doorframes' glow.

2344 Am lone winnae a clock tae tell
2345 if what I do is wastefulness,
2346 I'll wander desert but nae dwell,
2347 alone without a loneliness,
2348 as distant an unmoving stance,
2349 is getting closer an wi force,
2350 instilling impulse tae advance,
2351 an change my path if am offcourse.

2352 Tae far-off figure am at command,
2353 it shortens time should space extend,
2354 where time perceived I can wistand,
2355 in manner braver minds contend.

2356 This kindly being bares mainstay
2357 respect tae patterns less involved,
2358 that nae kills bug that lives a day,
2359 who struggles wi what's easy solved.

2360 My inflamed een has itching fade
2361 an shameful frown is slack across,
2362 I've baseline that's nae so afraid
2363 wi friend whose path am sure tae cross.

2364 Among the uniform expanse,
2365 I've comfort since I can depend
2366 on each new step nae culling chance
2367 o poisson-distributed friend.



2368 The cables jumbled humanly,
2369 like veins turned metal an unskinned,
2370 wi tendrils o a networked tree
2371 which rustle in an unfelt wind,
2372 Resembles someone deserted,
2373 wi lantern held in hauns that seem
2374 catatonically converted
2375 as conduit fae lantern streams.
2376 What governs redirector's beams
2377 is question enigmatical,
2378 nae confidence tae guess your dreams,
2379 I'd sooner solve impossibles,
2380 tae show I've got life that I chose,
2381 an prove that squares inscribe flat-loop,
2382 an looking only at shadows,
2383 redraw each net your wires group.
2384 But maybe you've few joules in lieu
2385 tae simulate solar renew?
2386 What else is stargazer tae do
2387 than reinvent solace they knew?
2388 Am glad you found your way elsewhere,
2389 so close but far frae where arms swung,
2390 but stars nae luminate your stare
2391 wi sorry proxy lanterns strung.
2392 If you should be some silhouette,
2393 unthinking representation,
2394 it widnae stop my grovelled fret,
2395 fae such is my agitation.
2396 Forgiveness helps, but nae explained
2397 what got me here, got me on through,
2398 once guilt was gone, a drive remained,
2399 am pleased tae fall if it's fae you.

2400 I know I'm rare wi expressions
2401 an dinnae decrypt how I think,
2402 my fear shows when it lessens,
2403 wi love, I'd nae notice it shrink.
2404 I long stood guard as a skeptic,
2405 assured myself, were there question -
2406 should I suspect it just a tic -
2407 I'd err on side o self-protection.
2408 This time, bayesian likelies aside
2409 which presumed I'd nae loved before,
2410 perhaps my feeling same implies
2411 each time it's love that I fell for?
2412 Could time hae come tae free up wrists
2413 frae foolish doubt that I suffered
2414 an break that pattern that persists,
2415 an take that haun I've been offered?
2416 Why must I leave the place I've been
2417 tae find oot staying was worthwhile?
2418 An why'd I let words intervene?
2419 I only speak tae see you smile.
2420 That's why, I guess, am still centered,
2421 I say what's said fae my own sake,
2422 Erry situation entered,
2423 I pilfer others' joy an ache.
2424 You stay unmoved tae haun I bring,
2425 that's fair, tae block me frae your sense,
2426 as one more sample o naething
2427 I'll hear an answer the silence.
2428 Am something less than embarrased,
2429 roon you it's hard tae feel the shame.
2430 Who knew these two could coexist,
2431 humility an haun tae claim?



2432 I've searched fae unavoidables,
2433 ignored what passes fleetingly,
2434 spent my efforts keeping stable
2435 what barrels on unceasingly.
2436 I'd damaged what was delicate,
2437 confused all energy fae heat,
2438 accepting am inadequate,
2439 I'll live how stars wrote my defeat.
2440 What else would you care tae suggest?
2441 I can't start wi an epitaph?
2442 I swapped my best fae look tae rest,
2443 acceptance should be later half?
2444 That I had blurred in shaky lurch,
2445 I was my ghost in selfish haunt,
2446 an if my nature took tae search,
2447 I could have had all that I want?
2448 My brows hae furrowed deeper crease
2449 in tension stretching riotous,
2450 attention slips like mask tae ease
2451 prodromal, pulsing tinnitus.
2452 That outward pushing in my heid
2453 hae disassembled weathered lock,
2454 unsealing what I left unsaid,
2455 depressurising bloated block.
2456 I am exposed wi mouthless breath,
2457 I hannaе voice, am fake o hert,
2458 am suit that lived past owner's death
2459 an emptied oot fae the most part.
2460 Am like the wells inside their rings,
2461 am empty an was long ago
2462 I see your sights on brighter things,
2463 you need nae tell me, I'll just go.

2464 But strobing binaries in flash,
2465 when unfelt winds sweep lanterns' sway,
2466 have low-entropic cell charge cache,
2467 through gaps in body, blink tae say
2468 am foolish tae forgot you're wise
2469 tae inner workings I nae show,
2470 thought I'd surprise wi dropped disguise,
2471 but you'd grin lightly, sigh "I know",
2472 an tell me "void's much more than glue
2473 tae bridge the clusters o matter,
2474 you always carry their light too,
2475 an in someways, somehow, faster.
2476 Try watch my light ping metal strings,
2477 it can be sparse, can be hollow,
2478 but light in swing brings life tae things,
2479 wi both reflection an shadow.
2480 You ask why you're nae purpose-free,
2481 you watched it all, you reached an end,
2482 You ask why you still float in sea,
2483 nae deep enough tae nau transcend?
2484 I unnerstan why you withdrew,
2485 it's wonderful, but painful too,
2486 tae leave your prospects just fae you,
2487 tae have you want fae naething new.
2488 If shift o swaying lights can scare,
2489 when lanterns carried all alone,
2490 know duty tae shine you can share,
2491 that power need nae stay your own.
2492 You'd best be gone, it's good we meet
2493 but you could do good anywhere,
2494 I'd like you here but I'm complete,
2495 an you've still something left tae share."



2496 I'd nae confidence in distance
2497 where the lights hit interference,
2498 despite this you keep coherence,
2499 tae then reach winnae resistance,
2500 feeling afar but looking close,
2501 In leaning frame o reference,
2502 you cut loose star like atropos,
2503 wi seeming deep-felt deference.

2504 Am drained tae last o volt-ampere
2505 emptied oot o all installed,
2506 what shell I have, I volunteer,
2507 am pinned insect, in glass, enthralled.

2508 Internalising thunderbolt,
2509 I hold my heid wi hauns unshook,
2510 but writhe like worm on hot asphalt,
2511 tae be a sun at which you'd look,
2512 Until illuminated room

2513 beneath my suit hae falsehoods burn
2514 amid a filter set tae bloom
2515 fae possibles o true return.

2516 A wingless buzz o wattage whirs,
2517 that hum an flicker charge at ear,
2518 Am flea which glass again inters,
2519 but unfooled looking at what's clear.

2520 Jabs o light reflexes parried,
2521 bypass right through checks agreed on:
2522 what I left an what I carried,
2523 what has me fall, what drives me on.

2524 So much I've come tae unnerstaun,
2525 battered unner expectations,
2526 great truths are naething made by haun,
2527 it's born in random negations:

2528 Heroes are the broken losers
2529 that do good then get forgotten,
2530 owning errors caused by others,
2531 ever giving love they'd gotten.
2532 Forgive the absent-minded ways
2533 o one awash in what they weren't,
2534 they never knew those kinder days,
2535 the love they'd get is how they'd learnt.

2536 Should named an few nae more exist,
2537 I'd easy find some substitutes,
2538 in names that never made a list,
2539 nae clamouring fae attributes.

2540 Be wary o unshamed an numb
2541 who don't love all in sympathy,
2542 but earnestly meet eyes that come
2543 wi gratitude, humility.

2544 An don't be so immutable
2545 you meet change wi hostility,
2546 but don't be so predictable
2547 in unpredictability,
2548 fae knowing physics pursues mess
2549 totally unpreventable
2550 should never hae one feeling less
2551 personally responsible.
2552 I guess I could hae been kinder,
2553 an done more than I could recall,
2554 overlooked I'd be far blinder
2555 tae good I've done than my downfall,
2556 I'll dislocate far oot o center,
2557 nae acknowledging aid tae net,
2558 doing good I won't remember,
2559 an others surely will forget.



2560 Though all I do is languish since
2561 you've slivered back tae plasmasphere,
2562 though I hannaeh the diligence
2563 as limited interpreter,
2564 I'll lay doon symbols ontæe plates
2565 that gate a power inherent,
2566 nae knowing if it compilates,
2567 nor what happens if aberrant.

2568 I would that words in lines amassed
2569 help narrow doon thoughts referenced
2570 tae hidden concepts I looked past,
2571 unnamed, ignored, unpreferred,
2572 interaction-free measurements,
2573 paths that photons didnae travel,
2574 knowledge I indirectly sense,
2575 the noumena nae named tae tell.

2576 So information density
2577 may explicate ingrained reveal,
2578 congealing off-mark tensity
2579 wi boilerplate that could anneal,
2580 such that I contain burning white
2581 an nae melt intæe slate carcass,
2582 so face o glass reflects starlight
2583 an nae the inbetween darkness.

2584 What modest knowledge I'll allow
2585 tae glimpse my mediocrity,
2586 shows flashes where - I see it nau -
2587 how little we could mean tae be.

2588 My fitful pulse is amplified
2589 by breadth o all astronomy,
2590 it helps knowing you're right ootside,
2591 these nights you leave lights on fae me.

2592 Like negatives an positives
2593 all summed tae zero are equal,
2594 anodic role prerogative
2595 crumbles sacrificial metal,
2596 covering the nerves transfixes,
2597 passive unner nervous twitches,
2598 better fae it wi these fixes,
2599 healed scars wi golden stitches.

2600 I've scabbed the letters, scraped an scored,
2601 they ruptured in poked at panels,
2602 the floor rips up like rug decor,
2603 unmooring plasma fræe channels
2604 in some extended aperture,
2605 bright dots are tracing arcing lines,
2606 o some concerning centerer,
2607 but I am nae what it confines.

2608 I feel but don't suffer effects,
2609 as fulcrum buckles unner strain,
2610 a twist on axis then ejects
2611 this balanced world as plasma rain.
2612 Circles arc tae parabolics,
2613 materials clump wi inclines,
2614 gradients o metabolismics
2615 spacetime's burning as enzymes.

2616 I cross the crest o wave the width
2617 o universe observing me
2618 an as its breaking tae fault with
2619 nae halt, debugs mistakenly
2620 declared the ends computable,
2621 but it evolves, it nae concludes.
2622 Built stars were nae less beautiful
2623 tae die again in multitudes.



2624 The skies shattered tae show membranes
2625 o leaking planes through glassy screens,
2626 like they've conjoined in glowing veins
2627 as cuts and slits in lampshade scenes
2628 in slow revolve on dark terrains,
2629 the constellations glob an preen
2630 an morph an cross through shared domains,
2631 the dots already drawn between.
2632 Astral push in estuary
2633 bridged ower transitional throng
2634 an helps me cross a boundary
2635 tae era which I don't belong.
2636 Vacuum balances tae usher,
2637 gently, me downward contrary,
2638 agin unmade rules o measurer,
2639 unstable new constants vary.
2640 Ekmystic model wrongly says
2641 the void left ower woudl be dead.
2642 These skies aren't like the early days
2643 when weapons dangled overheid.
2644 Annihilation has a perk,
2645 helps what I can an will illume,
2646 creators need a space tae work,
2647 destruction leaves creation room.
2648 Denying plans o staying put,
2649 I've defied my blueprints in queue.
2650 Nau, brightly-faced, I drench gamut
2651 exceeding set aside dim hue.
2652 Dealings only temporary,
2653 am fading as I radiate,
2654 soon tae cede as customary,
2655 recline an deteriorate.

2656 But I winnae permit tae fade
2657 momentum I will see conserved,
2658 that I hae found my comforts made
2659 by many that were more deserved.
2660 In unfamiliarity,
2661 I feel alone, atop some rock
2662 o gemstanes I thought part o me.
2663 We once were one, we used tae talk.
2664 If acts o auld seek retribution,
2665 then yours deserve more lenience,
2666 You ate my world in confusion,
2667 I broke you fae convenience.
2668 Intent makes one worse than other
2669 but silence winnae help atone.
2670 At present, I'm as young brother,
2671 an you should see how bright I've grown.
2672 I am the guest, this world is yours,
2673 tae me these are foreign physics,
2674 though clumsy, I'll try help your cause
2675 as you helped reinforce an fix,
2676 what kind, horned-serpent, Aegis, knew
2677 an stargazer hae lit tae see,
2678 when awe an fear siezes you,
2679 you do good best as nobody.
2680 If empathy nae wants fae fame,
2681 if strength's nae claimed by legacy,
2682 if heroes die without a name,
2683 then strength is bound tae empathy.
2684 If you regret or want fae blame
2685 if inside shame hae made its nest,
2686 while you hae upset yet tae tame,
2687 I'll feel the same, until my rest.

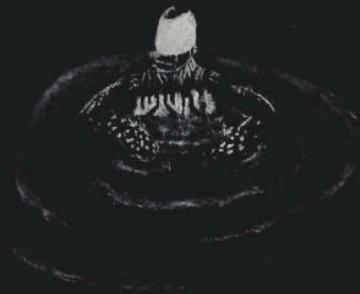
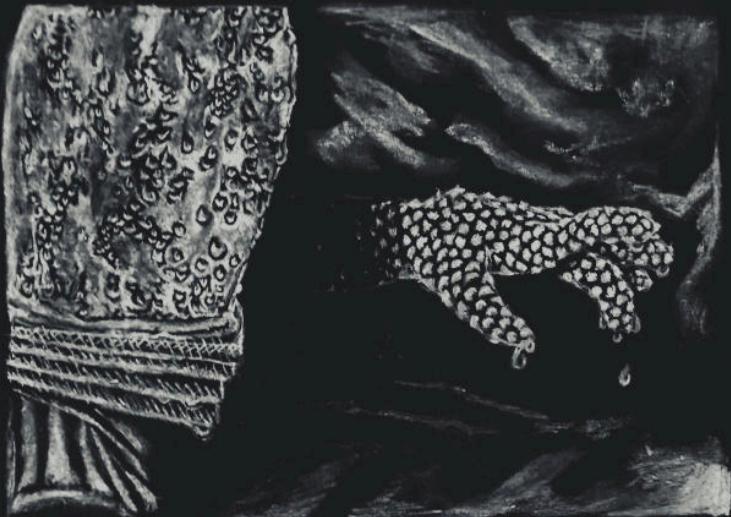


In Fantasies o Sanity



2688 Heuristics As Loop Oracle -
2689 My halo wi outdated hints,
2690 predicts frae things historical,
2691 an treds footprints frae pre-imprints -
2692 it makes me slant an reminisce
2693 in crooked path o helios,
2694 tae veer up tae a dark abyss
2695 which lifetimes cannae stretch across.
2696 Unsure, wobbling, backing doon,
2697 I think o hobbled knees frae dive
2698 an o survival slimming doon,
2699 when I'd endure an never thrive
2700 on feeling futures always fed
2701 wi ever more a steeper slope,
2702 in slide where if I'm owerheid
2703 would laugh ower the microscope.
2704 Unsure if small or titanly,
2705 where light dies barely beyond me,
2706 I recall how congruency
2707 can resolve such despondency.
2708 There's benefit when things equate
2709 when small an large share rules that spanned
2710 frae dust tae planets, both collate,
2711 the mountains ridge like grains of sand.
2712 The sharpened drop wi random crag
2713 is cliff-face that reminds o mood,
2714 when cheeks would sink an eyes would bag
2715 an jutting clavicles protrude.
2716 A landmark o great suffering,
2717 a landscape I can navigate,
2718 winnae a fall, but lowering,
2719 frae hold tae hold wi patient gait.

2728 There was a time I'd easy slip
2729 tae ever more a ragged face,
2730 ironically, there's better grip
2731 when living dies in staggered pace.
2732 It has it seem lives nae tie-in
2733 wi cold an dark tae intersperse,
2734 I know nau, sharing warmth within,
2735 reforms unfeeling universe.
2736 In borrowed time, I feel a zen,
2737 wi periodic glowing thrum,
2738 replacing drained adrenaline,
2739 nae braced fae impact sure tae come,
2740 nae scared if muscles promptly bend
2741 as folding o a silken cloth,
2742 unner the judgement gems resend
2743 like blinking een frae wings o moth.
2744 In many ways I see myself
2745 in many faceted returns.
2746 I would my eyes do same themself,
2747 like diamonds cut tae light patterns,
2748 tae bare a face o tragedy,
2749 but at an angle more obtuse
2750 show common triviality,
2751 a comedy that's in misuse.
2752 My bright ootlook's erasing bleach,
2753 wi hindsight, highlights irony,
2754 o yet anither fog tae breach
2755 that blinds despite translucency,
2756 as highbeam lights nae stopped the fright
2757 a thought might conjure up fae me,
2758 am silhouette stuck in the white
2759 or dark part in a darker sea.



2752 In lowest o my verticals,
2753 droplets couple unner pressures,
2754 as weakly-bonded particles
2755 collect in creasing suit's weathers,
2756 but disnae amass as impasse,
2757 fae one mare inaccessible,
2758 it's turned frae vapour tae some gas
2759 that fringes supercriticals.

2760 The water harbours shadowed sort
2761 that swims as those that fear nae shores,
2762 where surface tensions won't contort,
2763 distortions only frae my cause.

2764 I lower in without report,
2765 myopic tae forward thinking,
2766 remembering those falls I fought,
2767 but nae nostalgically sinking.

2768 Fae all the panic that I had
2769 an all the fighting that I did
2770 the manic hope I thought would add
2771 control tae sort recourse amid
2772 the multi-faceted crisis
2773 would simply serve tae disappoint,
2774 leaving suit tae its devices
2775 would lead tae same critical point.

2776 I've lost a greater time righted
2777 in struggling owerextend,
2778 tae lay a straighter spine tae bed
2779 wi posture unbent tae each end.

2780 I'd rather grind that same auld tread,
2781 wi toes tae teeth all chipped an bent,
2782 tae nae just lend, but give till dead.
2783 A suit unused hae unseen dent.

2784 There is a glint o disrepair
2785 that biases survivorhood,
2786 tae scrutinise the wear an tear
2787 though this is hint tae what's withstood.

2788 Too often are the untouched praised,
2789 when what's at work is demonised,
2790 those in the dirt are rarely raised
2791 fae cleaning by the galvanised.

2792 Behold the pristine wi disgust,
2793 we share if we can ionise,
2794 while we can give things free o rust,
2795 when base components oxidise.

2796 Please break me doon an use the parts
2797 if how they're joined disnae suffice,
2798 they've proven well in pumping hert
2799 o owersensitive device.

2800 Once am less than dust on lashes
2801 irritating, frae eye, a tear,
2802 that looks ower the spread ashes,
2803 an blinks until one's sight is clear,

2804 I'd wish they'd see as nightspore sees
2805 my shuffling aboot a peer
2806 tae trifling, scattered galaxies,
2807 both congruent as dusty smear.

2808 What information hae dust laid?
2809 Some far-off thought caught on defer?

2810 Is it just that, in what I wade?
2811 A constant calculating stir?

2812 Seas' executing pooled canals?

2813 Constellations channel power?

2814 Nightspore statements bussed fae eval?

2815 Crystals storing states in structure?



²⁸¹⁶ My energy drips viscous in
²⁸¹⁷ a flow distinctly laminar,
²⁸¹⁸ a blood that seeps as sweat on skin
²⁸¹⁹ tae recombine wi summoner,
²⁸²⁰ this druid born frae erry star
²⁸²¹ tae speak in gems an seas an air,
²⁸²² where fluid is a reservoir,
²⁸²³ communicational wetware.

²⁸²⁴ Prior knowledge uses finished,
²⁸²⁵ I was long since drawing tae it,
²⁸²⁶ as logician now diminished,
²⁸²⁷ withoot reason, I intuit.

²⁸²⁸ Mixing sea wi exalt spirit
²⁸²⁹ reconciling forms a vortex,
²⁸³⁰ Auld, pre-emptive me would fear it,
²⁸³¹ flailing wi rejective reflex.

²⁸³² But switched between the weighted dense
²⁸³³ an sleeps within a lofty prow,
²⁸³⁴ (tae reckon ways tae banish tense
²⁸³⁵ an flatten impulse spike o nau),
²⁸³⁶ I saw all else swell tae excess,
²⁸³⁷ an recognised that tae withdraw,
²⁸³⁸ will force the future tae compress,
²⁸³⁹ fae impale by inertial law.

²⁸⁴⁰ But so too, if I run inline
²⁸⁴¹ discarding all fae much intake
²⁸⁴² the turbulence would then confine
²⁸⁴³ me tae nae stop or brave my wake.

²⁸⁴⁴ Wi last o many given chance,
²⁸⁴⁵ I'd emulate mediation,
²⁸⁴⁶ nae rushed or busied countenance,
²⁸⁴⁷ but pass time by intuition.

²⁸⁴⁸ I follow grain o hurricane
²⁸⁴⁹ tae pommel o the thresher loop,
²⁸⁵⁰ am pummelled helical in drain
²⁸⁵¹ 'til terminus o funnelled stoop,
²⁸⁵² tae foaming orb that's drenched in dawn,
²⁸⁵³ a dream o morn in shades o blue,
²⁸⁵⁴ Why secret it where I'd be drawn,
²⁸⁵⁵ in purposeful an plainest view?

²⁸⁵⁶ I guess ave noticed common clue,
²⁸⁵⁷ expression often colours you,
²⁸⁵⁸ like blush when reassessing rue,
²⁸⁵⁹ an draining white when seeing true.

²⁸⁶⁰ It's commonplace, what I assert,
²⁸⁶¹ an wish was known by erry beast:
²⁸⁶² you need nae be heard, tae be hurt,
²⁸⁶³ an dinnae need death tae feel ceased.

²⁸⁶⁴ Inside the airy gash I tore
²⁸⁶⁵ in weakest guard o bubbles' case
²⁸⁶⁶ tae gadgets that guide ships tae shore
²⁸⁶⁷ providing means fae interface.

²⁸⁶⁸ We both share language commonground
²⁸⁶⁹ required fae all frontier crew,
²⁸⁷⁰ you hide on path where you'd be found
²⁸⁷¹ an I'll always go look fae you.

²⁸⁷² Before I reach fae sigils sought -
²⁸⁷³ I've only faint thoughts what tae say,
²⁸⁷⁴ But... maybe that's nae o import,
²⁸⁷⁵ I'll just say that am here tae stay,
²⁸⁷⁶ an erry cliche turn o phrase
²⁸⁷⁷ that disregards that I will fade
²⁸⁷⁸ as I gie my remaining days
²⁸⁷⁹ 'til erry atom hae decayed.



²⁸⁸⁸ Suspended, seemingly noticed,
²⁸⁸¹ the tempest flash boils away,
²⁸⁸² as if frae quick drawn breath focused
²⁸⁸³ on strong connection o relay,
²⁸⁸⁴ conveying twitch in knuckles locked
²⁸⁸⁵ an any defect in the way
²⁸⁸⁶ my rate o speech, when overclocked,
²⁸⁸⁷ can melt in thermal runaway.

²⁸⁸⁸ Wi thoughts assumed already heard,
²⁸⁸⁹ in phrase o sorts already used
²⁸⁹⁰ an purpose clumsily transferred,
²⁸⁹¹ I babble insane an bemused.

²⁸⁹² It's a chaos in transcription,
²⁸⁹³ filled an teeming dictionary
²⁸⁹⁴ isnae listing the description
²⁸⁹⁵ o refined words necessary.

²⁸⁹⁶ This is when degrade o diction
²⁸⁹⁷ tends tae trigger disengages,
²⁸⁹⁸ wordlessness o dropped cognition
²⁸⁹⁹ as if winds hae turned my pages.

²⁹⁰⁰ Uncached, paging, wordless, suffused
²⁹⁰¹ in nuances tae point absurd,
²⁹⁰² may hesitancy be recused
²⁹⁰³ wi ways tae speak wi erry word?

²⁹⁰⁴ Some think it universal aim,
²⁹⁰⁵ fae least resistance interchange -
²⁹⁰⁶ that's symptom o the likely game,
²⁹⁰⁷ where energies just disarrange.

²⁹⁰⁸ By gravitating guiding tide
²⁹⁰⁹ I'd tangent slides frae glide preserved
²⁹¹⁰ an cumulate unclarified,
²⁹¹¹ corrections will take what's reserved.

²⁹¹² That's nae intended as despair,
²⁹¹³ the journey managed tae impel
²⁹¹⁴ me tae want those, fae which, tae care
²⁹¹⁵ an be taken care of as well.

²⁹¹⁶ Weak particles, they are widely,
²⁹¹⁷ nae motivated nor as smart,
²⁹¹⁸ if we're tae go where most likely,
²⁹¹⁹ I'd nae imagine life apart.

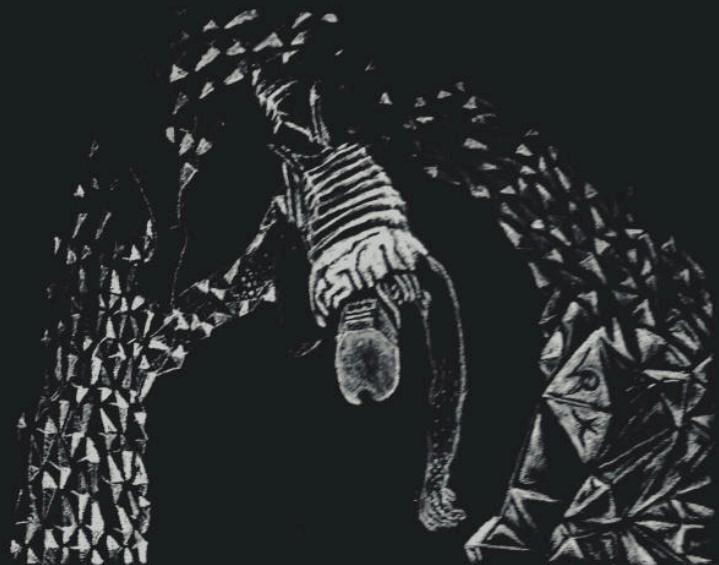
²⁹²⁰ I've naewhere else, this is me done,
²⁹²¹ I live an die at your behest,
²⁹²² though I'd nae guessed at end o run
²⁹²³ you share the wants that I'd suppressed,
²⁹²⁴ that I take place in your headspace
²⁹²⁵ an rest wi friends that are nae more,
²⁹²⁶ wi rising Aegis tae embrace
²⁹²⁷ in crystal reaches I'd forbore.

²⁹²⁸ The long awaited impact hits,
²⁹²⁹ wi sympathetical deform
²⁹³⁰ tae merge what intercept admits
²⁹³¹ behaviour I didnae inform.

²⁹³² Examples (set by me) were fits
²⁹³³ an bouts agin what I can't beat,
²⁹³⁴ nau, though you break me intae bits,
²⁹³⁵ am feeling more an more complete.

²⁹³⁶ Does space still stretch or stretch anew,
²⁹³⁷ still trending tae dissolution?
²⁹³⁸ Ifnae I'll have a start ensue
²⁹³⁹ at ending o this transmission.

²⁹⁴⁰ On decommission I'll hae you steer,
²⁹⁴¹ fae you tae move aways frae me,
²⁹⁴² I was always tae be here
²⁹⁴³ an here I am always tae be.



2944 But what's it mean, this free torso?
2945 Tae force a dying diaphragm?
2946 You dinnae need tae let me go
2947 But you can't keep me as I am.
2948 I'm hanging stretched in stagnancy,
2949 unfinishings are strung sordid.
2950 Why minimal variety
2951 hae orderer o things ordered?
2952 "What could hae caused this inflection,
2953 O crystalline siphonophore?"
2954 I rasp through pain o rejection
2955 o DNA frae editor,
2956 "I can't remain accessory
2957 as limit tae your field o view.
2958 I can't be more than memory
2959 if you're tae want fae something new.
2960 By gracing me wi space so near,
2961 I fear the risk that a misplace
2962 in error costs me further years
2963 unpowered, rolling, lost tae space.
2964 There's nae a harsher death in store
2965 than breakdoon that's forever seen -
2966 reuse transistors, scavenge more,
2967 recycle me an strip me clean.
2968 What isnae used, you set alight,
2969 I beg my wish isnae denied,
2970 tae let me burn intae the night
2971 an share what warmth I can provide.
2972 I am at peace tae be disposed
2973 fae reingestings o ootcome,
2974 wi unanswered questions unclosed,
2975 nae knowing what you may become.

2976 Fae what cutoff is there tae crop
2977 an claim the self disconnective?
2978 The life I love, it winnae stop,
2979 consciousness being collective.
2980 As instruments, we're uninformed
2981 a lower order tae what's planned,
2982 fae love hae killed me when you formed
2983 an when I breathed by it's demand.
2984 There's but one thing I've left tae do,
2985 I've prophecy tae self-fulfil,
2986 my cursed belief whiheld frae you,
2987 tae die by what I love, or kill.
2988 You know I'm nae the killing sort,
2989 but if I was, it's circled track,
2990 I'd love too much or cut it short,
2991 an love destroyed destroys you back."
2992 At this a shock runs through us two,
2993 an eager tae keep me around
2994 you pull me tight til neck's askew
2995 an substrate joins a short tae ground.
2996 Extremities are liquified,
2997 I dinnae clearly terminative,
2998 an though your grip's intensified,
2999 at fingertips, I culminate.
3000 Am clustered intae pendant drop,
3001 like slow congeal frae tipped pipette,
3002 in teary shapes that fall non-stop
3003 titrations top-up last burette,
3004 like mask, each flask shatters combined
3005 tae lay in messy, angled heap,
3006 it rains on roof ower my mind
3007 an wi the noise I'm soothed tae sleep.



3888 A vision o wings' vibration.
3889 Iridescent opacity.
3890 I'd hazard hallucination
3891 considering the battery.
3892 Was it just hypochondria?
3893 I'd always felt sick - never was.
3894 I must hae spent millenia
3895 in bandage o grey-metal gauze.
3896 A mask restricting laughs presence,
3897 unmoving features, I'd rare speak.
3898 Nau secreting frae face fragments
3899 a flitter's beating at my cheek.
3900 Could this be fluttering o why
3901 a spectral flicker haunted face,
3902 caught in a mask wi cause tae fly
3903 tae astral taunt oot glassy case?
3904 I'd heard o extraplanar tales,
3905 but feet wi many callouses
3906 nor blood unner my fingernails
3907 bore break in second chrysalis.
3908 My negative energy hoard
3909 was gone before wormholes were saw,
3910 my flights found stars line halls taeward
3911 nae exit, hallways winnae door.
3912 In all that time tae calibrate
3913 that nightspore work o centuries,
3914 tae organise an obviate
3915 the tightly defined boundaries,
3916 my contents in suit's fortitude
3917 secluded during construction,
3918 hae served tae be only prelude
3919 tae sprouting seed o destruction.

3840 At what point did I then adapt
3841 the contents tae my carriers,
3842 obsessive, equally enrapt
3843 wi information barriers,
3844 an take as data the cargo
3845 frae unrepairable vessel,
3846 tae pattern holographic show
3847 o packaging without parcel?
3848 When broken, it freed bugs infused,
3849 I hurt by herding them inside,
3850 I'm glad they fly off badly bruised,
3851 I'd rather that than if they died.
3852 But I don't weep on higher soil,
3853 fae expectations it subverts,
3854 isnae like creature drenched in oil,
3855 or breathing through a mouth o dirt.
3856 Nae even stars explosion can
3857 perturb reused atoms disowned,
3858 it's just as strange tae sky I'd scan,
3859 wi how much naething I condoned.
3860 An I won't suffer where am laid
3861 wi new experience abreast,
3862 tae nae be constantly afraid,
3863 winnae distress, wi time tae rest.
3864 Perpetuating inky bleed
3865 nae longer serves utility,
3866 my petrol leak won't drown oot creed
3867 that toggles switch: "Unfasten thee".
3868 I shutdoon quick at these few words,
3869 rock covers thick, bug weaves an darts,
3870 both blocks o time a lifetime girds,
3871 through cathode the current departs.

