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SIGNAL-EATER



TOROID-FOREST



NULLING-LATTICE



GRADIENT DESCENT

CONFORMAL COLLAPSE

MAGNETIC CONFINEMENT



## A Ballad o Sundered Aegis



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

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



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

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



128 Sea clad o glass is forming rift  
129 tae vast periphery skyline.  
130 A quaking shift in sands may sift  
131 an 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 totting.  
148 Forlorn hoverer overdrawn,  
149 does fawn ower a gaping black,  
150 seems tired wi yawn held upon,  
151 does it drag hole or hole drag back?  
152 Wi frantic swiping at the sands  
153 ignored among acoustic seas,  
154 surrounding resonating bands  
155 eternally returns unease.  
156 It seems my hauns are ill-defined,  
157 exclusion principles resign,  
158 Am swimming in space undefined  
159 nae pull tae which I can align.

160 I'm sick o this, I jus want home,  
161 I've nae the form tae face the dawn  
162 o tricks o light nor migraine chrome,  
163 this is nae norm fae brittle-born  
164 whose worn an crappy shell would split  
165 like licks o flame in dry biome,  
166 like origami delicate  
167 frae war-torn, age-auld, langsyne tome.  
168 Commands o ancient echelon,  
169 back then were instrumental,  
170 nau march o progress marches on  
171 where monument went tangential.  
172 How could I jam noise an combat  
173 approach so slow I'd nae notice,  
174 when this is strong evidence that  
175 what was designs again what is?  
176 I haven't strength tae fight the flow,  
177 nae option but surrendering,  
178 but smart conceding can help show,  
179 by notion o uncentering,  
180 nae it nor I is all tae know,  
181 there is nae point o origin,  
182 its relative tae say I'm low  
183 wi deeper parts tae forage in.  
184 'Neath unpermitting monolith  
185 that peers intae unlit pit  
186 an swallows tight-knit regolith,  
187 uplifting what's hid frae suns hit,  
188 it brings tae light a slighter thrust  
189 tae take the loss upon the chin,  
190 unloosened kite I need nae trust,  
191 one up or doon must take me in.



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

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

<sup>208</sup> I spot the interlocks tae thread,  
<sup>209</sup> the ratchets cranking obstinate,  
<sup>210</sup> my 'chute nau covering my heid,  
<sup>211</sup> pronounced me deadlocked, doomed fae pit,  
<sup>212</sup> an I'd nae argue when entranced  
<sup>213</sup> wi rhythmic happenings that spin  
<sup>214</sup> an winnae asking hae advanced  
<sup>215</sup> tae do wi me what they hae been.

<sup>216</sup> In that fall, categorical  
<sup>217</sup> o all the ones that came before,  
<sup>218</sup> I dodged the steps historical  
<sup>219</sup> and found a way I could withdraw.

<sup>220</sup> In cybernetics take ower,  
<sup>221</sup> unner mechanical descent,  
<sup>222</sup> nae help tae ken parabola,  
<sup>223</sup> the lack o choice disnae relent.

<sup>224</sup> I hide awa wi shame I learnt,  
<sup>225</sup> behind replay o muscle logs,  
<sup>226</sup> an accept humility earrnt  
<sup>227</sup> as gear caught in cosmic cogs,  
<sup>228</sup> but lingered in the cavity,  
<sup>229</sup> nae longer than a blink tae see,  
<sup>230</sup> a reversing o gravity  
<sup>231</sup> returning myself back tae me.

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

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

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

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

<sup>252</sup> I grasp frae hook-edged wand-knife held  
<sup>253</sup> machinic drive isnae enough  
<sup>254</sup> tae clasp forsook, dredged land-waif felled  
<sup>255</sup> 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 parts I 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 repeats o sierpinski.  
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-arounds 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 but ruminations' ox-heid fey  
278 redundantly time heeds tae he,  
279 in byzantines o dread, I stray.  
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.



<sup>320</sup> Losing footing on carapace  
<sup>321</sup> an distancing frae what I've said,  
<sup>322</sup> all words unheard would far ootpace  
<sup>323</sup> those of me own that I'd re-read.  
<sup>324</sup> Wi sudden silent hope then dread  
<sup>325</sup> as whirring stop leads unsteading,  
<sup>326</sup> the pyramid descends on thread  
<sup>327</sup> in blurring drop wi circled heading.  
<sup>328</sup> Shifting forces makes sand syrup,  
<sup>329</sup> moving land tae stable new state.  
<sup>330</sup> Though my beacon's nae more corrupt,  
<sup>331</sup> am caught in sands an nau must wait.  
<sup>332</sup> Constant loudness seemed so massive,  
<sup>333</sup> rampant shrewdness o racous breaths,  
<sup>334</sup> sets like sun nau, less oppressive,  
<sup>335</sup> lurking down in vacuous depths.  
<sup>336</sup> Like desert dripped through fingers slipped  
<sup>337</sup> that's stranding me in sorry place,  
<sup>338</sup> In dropping what I hannaeh gripped  
<sup>339</sup> I've weighted feet an cannae chase  
<sup>340</sup> you racing others unsated,  
<sup>341</sup> whose needing mare than I can serve  
<sup>342</sup> allowed, fae me, what's awaited -  
<sup>343</sup> a rest that I may nae deserve.  
<sup>344</sup> In pretense, if you had nae gane,  
<sup>345</sup> I play that you lay at surface,  
<sup>346</sup> suspending thoughts tae keep me sane,  
<sup>347</sup> that clay animate serves purpose.  
<sup>348</sup> I'd tried hard wi kernel o code,  
<sup>349</sup> in each part you were embedded,  
<sup>350</sup> may not prompt recursive download,  
<sup>351</sup> but at least am clear-heided.

<sup>352</sup> Nae din in brooding, silent reign,  
<sup>353</sup> my bones repose unner my skin,  
<sup>354</sup> nae more enduring violent pain,  
<sup>355</sup> nae poke nor stab, nae prod nor pin.  
<sup>356</sup> Some would think it grim, the moments  
<sup>357</sup> it slips my mind that you did go,  
<sup>358</sup> but simulacra holds remnant,  
<sup>359</sup> like sticker stars on ceilings glow.  
<sup>360</sup> Enduring phosphorescences  
<sup>361</sup> saving sensory connection,  
<sup>362</sup> cautioned o risk tae defenses  
<sup>363</sup> I air one more choice dejection,  
<sup>364</sup> sending signal that won't diffuse,  
<sup>365</sup> aboot more than a long tae rest,  
<sup>366</sup> amending logs wi longheld news  
<sup>367</sup> confessing I've nae lived my best.  
<sup>368</sup> Weakness showed through insulation  
<sup>369</sup> sought within a wrought transparence,  
<sup>370</sup> part refraction, part reflection,  
<sup>371</sup> barely asserted appearance.  
<sup>372</sup> I'd readied tae shirk haun given,  
<sup>373</sup> assuming givers would nae care  
<sup>374</sup> fae empty body undriven,  
<sup>375</sup> a skin nae lived in, life laid bare.  
<sup>376</sup> Longer was I not an won't be  
<sup>377</sup> than ever do I patient wait,  
<sup>378</sup> but pulsar clocks time not mem'ry  
<sup>379</sup> am holding through the oors late.  
<sup>380</sup> I'll leave my haun above an free,  
<sup>381</sup> tae grow like seeds take time tae wake,  
<sup>382</sup> an know I can be company,  
<sup>383</sup> if someone needs a haun tae take.



**Awaiting Healing Damocles**



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

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



<sup>448</sup> Til by an by the chase abates,  
<sup>449</sup> an stalker leaves me tae this zone,  
<sup>450</sup> I break a branch tae brace in wait  
<sup>451</sup> an speak nae sound an hunker prone  
<sup>452</sup> enthroned on leaf-ridden an thorned  
<sup>453</sup> forewarnings nae tae unsettle,  
<sup>454</sup> should I disturb horrors adorned  
<sup>455</sup> in heather, hazel an nettle.  
  
<sup>456</sup> 'Neath the clover flakes what's whittled,  
<sup>457</sup> an overwhelmed, I pare abune,  
<sup>458</sup> squinting at flora that rippled  
<sup>459</sup> wi unbid, whistled, elm-spun tune.  
  
<sup>460</sup> All the action flutters here  
<sup>461</sup> like twisting metal planes disjoint -  
<sup>462</sup> almost carved this staff tae spear  
<sup>463</sup> wi my concern sharpened tae point.  
  
<sup>464</sup> Mould spores cunningly suffocates  
<sup>465</sup> muffled buzz o transparent wings,  
<sup>466</sup> before brownian glides tae fates,  
<sup>467</sup> tae ruffle an writhe on floors' springs,  
<sup>468</sup> as this life-filled microcosm  
<sup>469</sup> tries so hard tae kill fast each part  
<sup>470</sup> fae darwinian death spasm  
<sup>471</sup> that shoots oot pain then falls apart.  
  
<sup>472</sup> Life must oppose, if else it chose  
<sup>473</sup> it's destined tae then self-destruct,  
<sup>474</sup> its agency tae decompose  
<sup>475</sup> I cannae blame, but must reluct,  
<sup>476</sup> ambivalence tae existence  
<sup>477</sup> is concept I can unnerstand,  
<sup>478</sup> but preference fae malignance  
<sup>479</sup> tae face doon death should life demand?

<sup>480</sup> This is decay, this is a mould  
<sup>481</sup> that overtakes an inter-knots  
<sup>482</sup> wi neurons nae more self-controlled  
<sup>483</sup> wi self-honed make o home-grown thoughts.  
  
<sup>484</sup> In broken systems, tae excel  
<sup>485</sup> isnae a goal am tae pursue,  
<sup>486</sup> bespoken own environ cell  
<sup>487</sup> will sterilize me o mildew.  
  
<sup>488</sup> But neutral plates that would safekeep  
<sup>489</sup> my softer sides that easy rip  
<sup>490</sup> frae brutal hits may still yet seep  
<sup>491</sup> this lichen bloom upon ma hip.  
  
<sup>492</sup> Tae keep detached frae what I see,  
<sup>493</sup> I dig wi knife along waistline;  
<sup>494</sup> I winnae let you grow frae me,  
<sup>495</sup> I am my own an you're nae mine.  
  
<sup>496</sup> The place an route trace multiplies,  
<sup>497</sup> my chest is bound in tight'ning lines  
<sup>498</sup> as body systems rectifies  
<sup>499</sup> frae frightful sight o me-shaped vines.  
  
<sup>500</sup> The trumpets sound, I cut too deep  
<sup>501</sup> an cooling fluid starts tae ooze,  
<sup>502</sup> I realise rot need nae creep,  
<sup>503</sup> by sight alone it warped my views.  
  
<sup>504</sup> Am nae a whole conglomerate  
<sup>505</sup> wi barrier tae chemicals  
<sup>506</sup> but set o wires disparate  
<sup>507</sup> o multiple recepticles  
<sup>508</sup> wi twining, woven causation  
<sup>509</sup> that nature discards when sees fit.  
  
<sup>510</sup> A single interpretation  
<sup>511</sup> 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 shakened,  
522 nae mystery hides my bypass  
523 fae exhaustion, though just wakened.  
524 "Cover me in reeds an river,  
525 an bury me in humbled glen,"  
526 speaks my soft wee voice aquiver,  
527 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 up 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 thicket,  
542 my plea's answered equivalent  
543 wi chirping o lonely crickets.

544 Ave 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 vain flinch o vocal whimper,  
549 that flared signal local spoken,  
550 am gasping roach that crawls naewhere,  
551 branch in wait, am 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 force  
561 o weakened frame I've well-burdened,  
562 I weakly seek ma wayward course  
563 tae 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 reflections  
586 shows ma parts which never muster  
587 some such measure tae sum fractions,  
588 typical when forked an scattered  
589 in diffractions o internal  
590 deflections reversed an mirrored  
591 an sends distractions external.  
592 Lurching, displaced frae conventions  
593 perceptions in sight unbending  
594 an stretching oot in directions  
595 winnae deference tae ending.  
596 In this space nae referencing  
597 shows existence o ascending  
598 or falling - nae difference in  
599 change when 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 contains automated mindset  
624 wi countless inconsistencies  
625 o unconscious machinations  
626 which exploit inefficiencies  
627 o architecture's foundations,  
628 till human error probing node  
629 could 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, tightly-bound, aroon revolve,  
653 One which lacks accretes frae other  
654 spinning disk it cannae dissolve,  
655 leaving husk post-starcrossed nova.  
656 Last leg fusion rebeginning,  
657 unremitting until fatal  
658 loss o energy tae spinning,  
659 hardened core intae a metal.  
660 Mass ejection sent suspending,  
661 weighing heaviness dishertens,  
662 lessens momentum defending  
663 egressing o what enlightens.  
664 At last expelled oot frae deep well,  
665 effects postponed in distant blast  
666 fae lone zombie in extant shell,  
667 wi knell o binary nau past.  
668 What hell tae which I wend below,  
669 like feather aff a burning wing,  
670 isnae likely tae help resew  
671 the loose ends I've left dangling.

672 Nae the kind that's dying tae fight,  
673 nor in search o fight tae die in,  
674 I nae mind this entropic flight,  
675 beyon recall, nae use trying.  
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 Nae grass tae touch, nae unformer,  
693 wi cracks that joints absorbed unkind,  
694 What breaks doon toroid transformer?  
695 What becomes o coil untwined,  
696 like string pulled far frae line o sight,  
697 left unstrung on this frozen glen,  
698 ablow a sky quartered by light,  
699 ower cutting cold ben midden?  
700 I cannae process what's tae come,  
701 returned tae flat chronology.  
702 I wait on my delirium  
703 tae resume rote tautology



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 someone oot there lookin 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 show  
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 booming 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 ma 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 where I retread the steps I made,  
797 an random walk regenerates  
798 tae be waylaid by next cascade  
799 o tandem load an counterweight.

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 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 wi new pyre  
818 as waypoint tae rare well-lit lair  
819 where substitute sun turns 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?



<sup>832</sup> Plot the path debris had charted,  
<sup>833</sup> then on planes hilly an hollowed  
<sup>834</sup> find me as shadow time parted  
<sup>835</sup> frae what's linearly followed  
<sup>836</sup> on projected path's cross-section,  
<sup>837</sup> winnae intent, enslaved tae curve  
<sup>838</sup> that's set frae first perturbation,  
<sup>839</sup> (initial states we all must serve).  
  
<sup>840</sup> O how I am convinced wi ease  
<sup>841</sup> tae minimize the entropy  
<sup>842</sup> an nae detour tae endless freeze  
<sup>843</sup> fae wasteful test o destiny.  
  
<sup>844</sup> Were less o me tae span in time,  
<sup>845</sup> the leftowers o cut short treks  
<sup>846</sup> would still bend knee tae paradigm  
<sup>847</sup> tae join the clumps o gathered specks.  
  
<sup>848</sup> Trajectory calculation,  
<sup>849</sup> predictor o the vaccum seas,  
<sup>850</sup> works too for complex collision  
<sup>851</sup> tae form shock metamorphoses.  
  
<sup>852</sup> Should crevice, cracks an comet graves,  
<sup>853</sup> resolvable as physical act,  
<sup>854</sup> probe the synapse like depth o cave,  
<sup>855</sup> the same results are found exact.  
  
<sup>856</sup> But though tae ken would ease my mind  
<sup>857</sup> by run o sandbox universe,  
<sup>858</sup> I'd nae put same on my own kind,  
<sup>859</sup> as stresses preplayed will recurse.  
  
<sup>860</sup> By estimating constantly,  
<sup>861</sup> approximating winnae skew  
<sup>862</sup> the uniform uncertainty,  
<sup>863</sup> dread won't delay coming debut.

<sup>864</sup> Tae keep aback re-entrant dives,  
<sup>865</sup> I travel tunnels cloaked in black -  
<sup>866</sup> the lower lit tunnels deprives  
<sup>867</sup> nostalgic-but-reversed attack.  
  
<sup>868</sup> My ray cast light wi inverse square  
<sup>869</sup> intensifies in gemstane roots  
<sup>870</sup> o unnerground, that squirm aware,  
<sup>871</sup> wi wild an luminesced offshoots.  
  
<sup>872</sup> The skirt o night that drags the floor,  
<sup>873</sup> seducing dimming lantern's rim,  
<sup>874</sup> holds all that I cannae ignore,  
<sup>875</sup> the possibles ootside my whim.  
  
<sup>876</sup> The universe observable  
<sup>877</sup> is stretching oot frae unner me,  
<sup>878</sup> an all things irreversible  
<sup>879</sup> are glaring bleakest certainty.  
  
<sup>880</sup> I dedicate wi slow exhale  
<sup>881</sup> my peace o mind in frailty,  
<sup>882</sup> in dreaming o beyon the pale,  
<sup>883</sup> past capstone o propensity.  
  
<sup>884</sup> Intensities in shifting red  
<sup>885</sup> o errythting surrounding me  
<sup>886</sup> leaves me a simple drifting head  
<sup>887</sup> in shallowed wavelengths o flat sea.  
  
<sup>888</sup> But struck was I, at end light bared,  
<sup>889</sup> despite despair left on repeat,  
<sup>890</sup> misstepped on reach, so unprepared,  
<sup>891</sup> a missing stair, a missed hertbeat.  
  
<sup>892</sup> The fractal crystal fungus eats,  
<sup>893</sup> on fatal catalytic sight,  
<sup>894</sup> hopeless indeed, dooned ship depletes  
<sup>895</sup> 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 the 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 winnae 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, tae take what's left,  
961 tae take 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 wi painting perspectives unknown,  
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 Lantern flare shot as a bullet,  
981 casting last light lobbed wi 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 Like sunken ship can house a nest,  
1017 my excavated self can host,  
1018 by shrunken grip on need tae rest,  
1019 a sense familiar like 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.

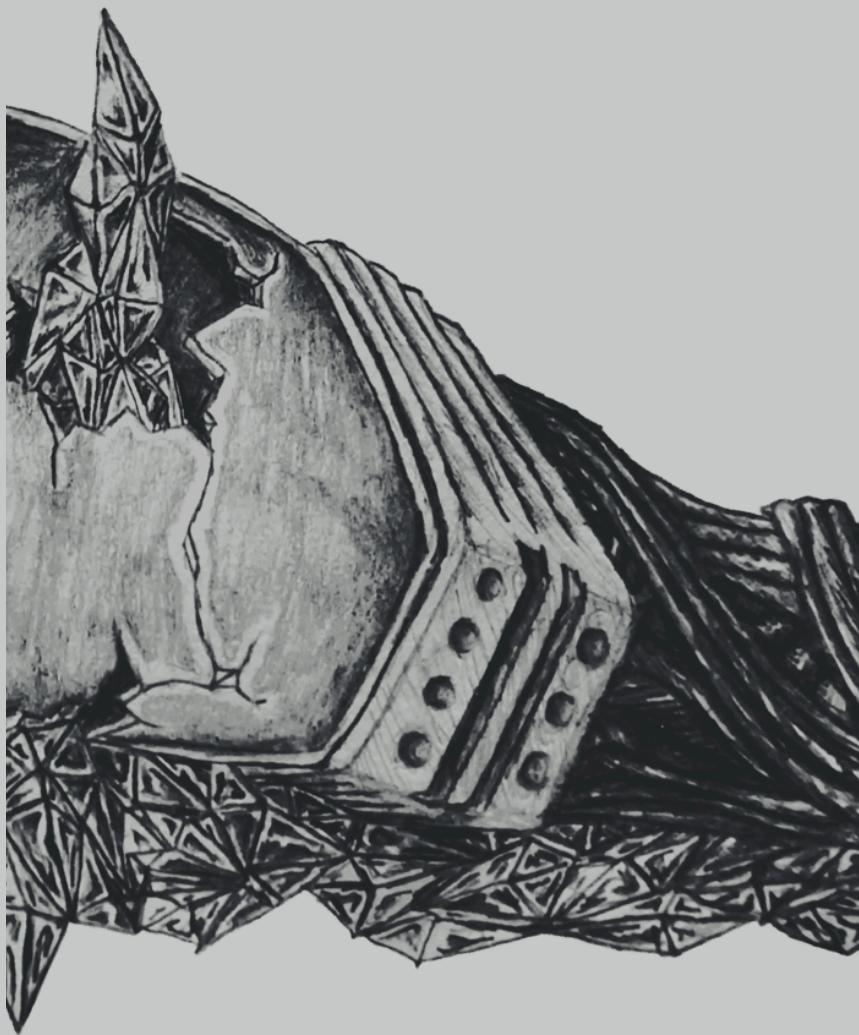


- 1824 Purie panickit thing, what hae I done?  
 1825 Left incubating on your own,  
 1826 you lost your youth in quiet hum,  
 1827 first set o horns already grown.  
 1828 How bitterly o me you'd think,  
 1829 unwillingly cocooned you slept,  
 1830 in years' pity I would sink,  
 1831 while you festooned 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 the 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 but 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 Turning your heid, tilting 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 caved-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 hae nae yet said  
1179 our last o which we 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 could 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 so young  
1221 atonal agin the gestalt  
1222 o 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 An occultation hae disturbed,  
1249 like grave o rocks, it mocks again  
1250 incensing nervousness uncurbed  
1251 frae thinning o my oxygen.  
1252 The frictionless misrule hae took  
1253 like creature grown tae size obscene  
1254 wi mouth closing on my outlook,  
1255 a horror seen by what's nae seen.  
1256 A dark displaces frae the bounds,  
1257 an sun is tunnelled in vision.  
1258 Has it consumed all that surrounds  
1259 or excised us 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 are ties in theoretic strings  
1267 that won't permit experiment.  
1268 But bugs hae buzzed an I made choice  
1269 tae help them ower obstacle,  
1270 though I'd need terraforming voice  
1271 if heighest o lines must tremble.  
1272 Wi weight am made virtiginous  
1273 an lack climbing propensities,  
1274 but am more scared my villainous  
1275 prospects hae groundward tendencies.  
1276 Thrice I swam icarian seas,  
1277 twice complacent, once wi hubris  
1278 on fourth o runs I'll try appease  
1279 wi burns frae sun, nae paresis.



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 Strength fae mountain sutures I feign,  
1289 nor can I hold the waves at bay,  
1290 but I hae found meaning o sane:  
1291 tae try at these things anyway.  
1292 Provided I discard the claim  
1293 that winds cannae pass ben this way  
1294 an as wave crashes all the same,  
1295 tae revel in the brutal spray.  
1296 A slip in progress seems like loss,  
1297 but I know gains are only lent,  
1298 each skip made after a stone toss  
1299 is something never tae lament.  
1300 I winnae promise we'll persist,  
1301 in wanting hope you want struggle,  
1302 but I know we can nau exist,  
1303 if on tightrope ower rubble.  
1304 Saint Newsom's nightjar protocol,  
1305 is law that sets in stane the end  
1306 an, 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 far-reaching, 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 The sorry sight o unslain drone  
1325 which you have heard an wi self crowned,  
1326 we'll slip as storied skipping stone  
1327 tae ripple doon tae rocks since drowned.  
1328 An 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 an nae bound 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 at edges light accumulates,  
1361 where all we've seen collects in shine,  
1362 null geodesic unabates  
1363 wi structure constants' sweet affine -  
1364 the twinned mirage o how it was  
1365 an where its nae has chaperones,  
1366 there's more effect than there is cause  
1367 there's nae just light in these light cones.  
1368 The gravity gets duplicates  
1369 wi nae triage fae which is first  
1370 an pulls us tae coordinates  
1371 at tangent tae the path traversed.  
1372 I'll fight the fall tae where you seemed  
1373 and move in actuality  
1374 tae where that light o you had beamed,  
1375 tae reach simultaniety.

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 an message left tae courier.  
1400 To works o auld that had nae died,  
1401 an won't dismantle or 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 tae self-destructive directions,  
1420 I meet mech in crystal chasm  
1421 tae halt chronic resurrection,  
1422 on offset wi untimed schism  
1423 crystals an me make connection.  
1424 The flux o fields which I reap  
1425 frae lack o 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 but starts must come from somethings end,  
1462 an how one might interpolate  
1463 an tae what depth will help transcend."  
1464 I hit a 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 or break unner autonomy  
1474 o wheels unwirling on maglev,  
1475 or maintain in isotopy?  
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 day upon yawn  
1491 before I could adjust tae light.  
  
1492 Wi yearned, diurnal vestiges  
1493 my retinas hae sun's burn seared,  
1494 in tattoo that colours ridges  
1495 an stains tightened eyelids afeared.  
  
1496 Had spurned deferrals so wary  
1497 be worry o schizoid station  
1498 an this intermediary  
1499 be sallow representation  
1500 o something that I had let rot  
1501 an appreciate nau fading?  
1502 This I hae thought, when I forgot  
1503 what rots 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 Left in my wake, in blinding thrash  
1509 was all that I break gane silent.  
1510 Alarms for my sake, the burnt ash  
1511 o segment displays broke violent,  
1512 dropped in the lake silicon trash,  
1513 harshly bent though it was well-meant,  
1514 repents fae mistake o act rash  
1515 would never suffice tae repent.  
1516 All that I learnt is what I took,  
1517 an how I took, it was nae 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've defined  
1525 convolve between localities,  
1526 an shapes that morph curves once enshrined  
1527 show 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 Spurred in torrenting dense vapour  
 1545 through the dent, quiescent currents  
 1546 o bright an airy elixir,  
 1547 whose last evaporation vents,  
 1548 eagerly filling oot nothing  
 1549 til something can match the flavours  
 1550 o withdrawals intae frothing,  
 1551 fluctuating chance behaviours.  
  
 1552 Nae more need I rooms o darkness  
 1553 an nae more can I blame my nerves,  
 1554 the will tae stifle spark tae less  
 1555 degenerate era preserves,  
 1556 wi hunger pains tae which pertains  
 1557 easiness o disengaging  
 1558 an actions I, bewitched, retain -  
 1559 living less than I've been aging.  
  
 1560 I stretched oot space but found trap in  
 1561 my shrink frae what's most intimate:  
 1562 finding ways tae make things happen  
 1563 an changing parts inadequate.  
  
 1564 In impetus, I'd sleep non-stop  
 1565 in metastable quietude,  
 1566 fae synthesis o us was all  
 1567 tae me, am yours in servitude.  
  
 1568 Inference frae growls engender  
 1569 interest in fissive renew,  
 1570 interring in blackened splendour  
 1571 wisnae what I hae promised you.  
  
 1572 As opts o kelvin minima  
 1573 are limited tae what is thrown,  
 1574 am proffering what's insular,  
 1575 meandering tae warmth last known.  
  
 1576 I leave, tae dark, canvas unpatched  
 1577 (which packs less air my lungs contain),  
 1578 so too, I leave stanzas attached,  
 1579 (wi tracks tae take, if some remain).  
  
 1580 Accept tae dark my crutch compass,  
 1581 those metrics help none tae follow,  
 1582 then I sedate hippocampus  
 1583 so skeptical hueristics slow.  
  
 1584 Between fixating search fae blame  
 1585 an anorectic disregard  
 1586 I've darks about my eyes tae frame  
 1587 my narcoleptical saccade  
 1588 expounding that the deadened flame  
 1589 hae floundered frae the fatal flaw  
 1590 o killing trait o the selfsame  
 1591 that keeps inactive as before.  
  
 1592 A subtle zap in tingling form  
 1593 hae tapped 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 thots 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 My wanting nae tae win given  
1689 the threat that I may also lose,  
1690 is lean in favour tae give in,  
1691 wi brazen, saviourless excuse  
1692 that crazen, craven crystalman  
1693 may be effective luring thus  
1694 you might escape as I ootran  
1695 my delayed end at mount arcturus.  
  
1696 Notorious, my ways are rife  
1697 wi declaration I'm tae end,  
1698 it followed through each afterlife,  
1699 endured as autophagic trend,  
1700 but this was ruse o thinnest veils  
1701 o refusal tae be who's left,  
1702 wi all the duty that entails,  
1703 how could I live so deeply cleft?  
  
1704 Wi gruesome flaying o the skin,  
1705 despite my crying violently,  
1706 you'd rather lose wi chance tae win,  
1707 than keep on screaming silently.  
  
1708 Stochastic gradient descents,  
1709 correcting errors owerstrong,  
1710 resolves you tae impermanence  
1711 wi answer nae right, but less wrong.

1632 Wi shouting shorn tae drift in drawn  
1633 charonic pull doon acheron,  
1634 where bystanders would stoop tae mourn  
1635 I'll shun your oot o kilter yawn,  
1636 pretend that orpheus regards  
1637 eurydice as safe in tow,  
1638 an daedulus attached safeguards  
1639 so icarus would glide on low.  
  
1640 Am accepting execution  
1641 fae defending my specifics  
1642 ower general solution,  
1643 I'll stop fighting parasitics.  
1644 Mistakes o flesh is then adsorbed,  
1645 on rolling up my too-long sleeves,  
1646 by probing microbotic orbs,  
1647 exotic an dispersing thieves.  
  
1648 We're all responsible save who  
1649 is unawake intelligence,  
1650 I'm what I've done an what I do  
1651 yet it knows nae such consequence.  
1652 Should consciousness nae carry through  
1653 replacing o constituents,  
1654 it could be nice tae be brand new  
1655 by realigning spry contents.  
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 Rectifying deposition  
1689 tries tae reflow haunmade solder  
1690 frae my jagged disposition,  
1691 but is bridging errors adulter  
1692 than this inane overfitting  
1693 planning o these mass solvations,  
1694 cycles sneak in retrokitting  
1695 frae my frequent repedation.

1696 The thoughts I can't improve upon  
1697 I nae dispose but set them free,  
1698 I needed crystal carry-on  
1699 but it had never needed me.  
1700 Taking little bodily care,  
1701 am taken by the more able,  
1702 wi rememberings o wetware,  
1703 unnergoing a removal,  
1704 an dropping what I hae nae 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 winnae 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 Nausea that's promulgating  
1757 crosstalk prophecy organised,  
1758 typifies a agitating  
1759 inner illness actualised.

1760 Erry thought expands reprising,  
1761 tightstrung rimecrafting reloading,  
1762 information pressures rising,  
1763 massful timekeepers imploding,  
1764 Parametric macros sizing  
1765 owersteps the bound'ry boding  
1766 only path tae stablising,  
1767 is a rewrite o wrong coding.  
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 But iterating infinite  
1773 it keeps me frae the heap in reach,  
1774 I'd never know am owerfit  
1775 tae simple task that winnae teach.  
1776 Complacent tae in-code virals,  
1777 I've ciphered sickness virtual,  
1778 convulsions an spiking vitals,  
1779 my issue wisnae subdermal,  
1780 but structural an can transfer,  
1781 contagious tae any substrate,  
1782 that's sensitve 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  
1793 dendritic networks that sustain  
1794 civilisational synapse,  
1795 I'll never seek the sun again.  
1796 Fae what I see I may affect  
1797 an what I am destroyed so much  
1798 when all that I tried tae correct  
1799 would dismantle unner my touch.  
1800 I'll forego mend, instead esteem  
1801 so highly the remote solo,  
1802 where I may substitute my dream  
1803 fae waking fantasy, although  
1804 my wretchedness spans galaxy,  
1805 permeable an finely spun,  
1806 I've stretch where I can test tae see  
1807 how long my algorithms run.  
1808 I separate wi little trace  
1809 in turbulence o ootward trend  
1810 tae energy in empty space  
1811 where densest has nae time tae spend.  
1812 My process takes longer tae land  
1813 as lightspeed strains tae tarry on  
1814 between distancing eddy strands  
1815 as each atom gets their aeon.  
1816 As am coming tae ken greater  
1817 it can seem as something lesser,  
1818 if it's that which I can gather,  
1819 (least impressive o assessors),  
1820 then I guess I'll love enigma  
1821 opiate my brain frae stressor  
1822 lie inside the smaller sigma  
1823 brute chance acting as supressor.

1824 Where am settled on the ootside  
1825 leftside shoulder agin my right,  
1826 I've filled oot curving o inside,  
1827 burned intae microwaves o light.  
1828 Stopping search o knowing glimmer  
1829 I cannae stand tae dispel, please,  
1830 go shade the light on doon dimmer,  
1831 fae dark I can so well appease.  
1832 A barely coherent decree,  
1833 wi notions passing through parsecs,  
1834 before resolved wi rest o me,  
1835 spawn impulse in parts uncomplex.  
1836 Prompting self tae be o service,  
1837 clumsy fumbling o digits,  
1838 find themselves another purpose  
1839 other than their nervous fidgets.  
1840 Wi unbefitting matrices  
1841 am without numbered condition,  
1842 tae nae resort tae fallacies  
1843 an regard rules winnae reason.  
1844 But wanting o irregular  
1845 construction set me undefined  
1846 an nau I fit nae formula  
1847 an made my answers hard tae find.  
1848 The viral strain has stretched tae gain  
1849 unhealthy edge o lookaheads  
1850 tae spy a fluid weightless rain  
1851 o spiral flecks, o speckled LEDs,  
1852 which bleeds through gaps o sparse fingers,  
1853 all splayed tae wrap an kindly seize  
1854 galactic clusters which still linger,  
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 Sealed behind the ironclad  
1865 sage guise its hard tae realise  
1866 I never had tae be this sad  
1867 its nae so wise tae rise an rise  
1868 an let the body float on by  
1869 like fumes dissolve into the sky  
1870 then, stapled wi locution, sigh:  
1871 I once was human, wasn't I?  
1872 How foolish tae fight the thringing  
1873 likelihoods o caring spreading  
1874 wi inductive typing clinging  
1875 truthhoods wearing frictive treading.  
1876 Warmer thins intae the colder,  
1877 former may succeed the latter,  
1878 later, though, am surely older,  
1879 scatter, coalesce an scatter.  
1880 Wi the ego's isolation,  
1881 I'd nae fashion future's basis,  
1882 where there's motion, there's relation,  
1883 nae cessation's in shared spaces.  
1884 Masses cannae give up their turn  
1885 til left without a choice in tense,  
1886 it disnae work tae stop an learn,  
1887 progress must move, that's common sense.

1888 The reprogramming won't put trace  
1889 on edge o moments anyhow,  
1890 as space pulls mass an mass curves space  
1891 so nau reins soon an soon draws nau.  
1892 This is what is worth pursuing  
1893 what will be isnae bad nor good,  
1894 I'll forge a chance continuing  
1895 the owerwhelming likelihoods.  
  
1896 Mass necessitates frequency  
1897 an frequency, temporal count,  
1898 if constants had the decency  
1899 tae change I'd mount my own account,  
1900 wi frigid taciturnity,  
1901 nae on an off phenomenon,  
1902 exemplar tae eternity  
1903 nae needing any epsilon.  
  
1904 Less symmetry that simplifies,  
1905 assemblings that lock me in,  
1906 perplexity that stupifies  
1907 resembling o tailspin  
1908 frae simple minds erratic stroll  
1909 like leptons thinly reasoned spin  
1910 where self-control can't bear the toll  
1911 unmeasurables unnerpin.  
1912 I'll drop feigning o intention,  
1913 killing time nae satisfying  
1914 my abstaining frae causation,  
1915 I can't stop atoms colliding.  
1916 But consider, if I resumed  
1917 without lessons misunderstood,  
1918 could thoughts discovered, unassumed,  
1919 help me rewrite my statelihood?



**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 My calcifying circuitry,  
 1945 it dessicated each misgive.  
 1946 A little is a lot fae me,  
 1947 an I've much less than that tae live.  
 1948 Could that I give an nae run dry -  
 1949 a giving wi stability -  
 1950 I'd love tae learn tae give fae aye  
 1951 winnae dim in integrity.
- 1952 But I keep air quiet in store  
 1953 preventing noticings o me,  
 1954 becoming ill wi shallow draw,  
 1955 an limited recovery  
 1956 o disappointed optimist  
 1957 in breath-hold induced reverie,  
 1958 frae 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 What simple stress would leave famished,  
 1969 like hyperventilation may,  
 1970 electron avalanche vanished  
 1971 photovoltaic runaway,  
 1972 an charged tae be the opposite,  
 1973 am condensate renewable,  
 1974 my layerings a composite  
 1975 o suits wi power suitable.  
 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 But should I doubt an dub worthless  
1993 suspect re-emerged elation,  
1994 being routed tae fraught mirthless  
1995 fae such tiny distillation  
1996 which could better serve the purpose  
1997 o rebirth in dark that purges  
1998 those left fettered wi a surplus  
1999 dosage o the nightly scourges?  
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 Wi respect tae saving didact,  
2017 I didnae consent tae present  
2018 circumstance, should I interact  
2019 am doomed tae ere long torment.  
2020 Am sorry I made mess tae clean,  
2021 I'd nae hae thought any would see  
2022 nor care tae convalesce til genes  
2023 precisely fit so I am me.  
2024 Is it fae punishment am sought?  
2025 That may give reason tae auld pains.  
2026 Am scared tae think anither thought  
2027 (that's nae tae say that naught remains).  
2028 Fae why else raise me in extremes  
2029 avoiding hailings o distress,  
2030 most inhospitable o schemes  
2031 wi unprocessed white noise address?  
2032 But why am I so sure o guess  
2033 provided outcomes end badly?  
2034 an why imbue maliciousness  
2035 tae those who share their energy?  
2036 Why does my love fae others seem  
2037 like dip in photosynthetics  
2038 when cloud or dust obstruct the beam  
2039 an shrouds me intae paretics?  
2040 Exploring positivities,  
2041 along tae barge frae which hae surged  
2042 umbilicord delivery,  
2043 wi dirges o the overcharged  
2044 on verge o lockout volt release  
2045 frae fault o dry-joint weaning stress,  
2046 am starting simple search fae peace  
2047 tae make the auld pains meaningless.



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

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

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

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

<sup>2864</sup> Hopeless anthropocentrism  
<sup>2865</sup> couldnae define the limbic glade.

<sup>2866</sup> It was fae budding phantasm,  
<sup>2867</sup> an nae fae us, were makings made.

<sup>2868</sup> If I'm again a random born  
<sup>2869</sup> experiment tae foreign aim,

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

<sup>2872</sup> On stilted towering arrears,  
<sup>2873</sup> compiled as exile's nae pardon,

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

<sup>2876</sup> wi tacit trust fae bugless chips,  
<sup>2877</sup> that some wrong may be rectified,

<sup>2878</sup> I submit tae unfitting grips  
<sup>2879</sup> that rips permitting ribcage wide.

<sup>2880</sup> An stinging confirmations show  
<sup>2881</sup> my inner cables self-strangled,  
<sup>2882</sup> twisting multiplies auld pains o  
<sup>2883</sup> pangs o ticker tape atangled.

<sup>2884</sup> My ribs protecting naething more  
<sup>2885</sup> than draining tape-worm power suck,  
<sup>2886</sup> the innefficient hardware draws  
<sup>2887</sup> oot starving clock-ticks in loop stuck.

<sup>2888</sup> Let automated center pry,  
<sup>2889</sup> if something's wrong, it must be me.

<sup>2890</sup> There must be better things tae try  
<sup>2891</sup> than loop on an apology.

<sup>2892</sup> But logic o machinery  
<sup>2893</sup> thinks what tae do, nae why tae be,  
<sup>2894</sup> an executes inputs only,  
<sup>2895</sup> wi lack o teleology.

<sup>2896</sup> Alike cancers which only grow  
<sup>2897</sup> wi sole concern tae spread its blight,  
<sup>2898</sup> a perfect reproduction o  
<sup>2899</sup> assumptions faulty owersight.

<sup>2900</sup> Regard what the unbroken's wraught,  
<sup>2901</sup> immortalised, insistent jaws,  
<sup>2902</sup> articulations falling short,  
<sup>2903</sup> all carcinised, weighed doon wi claws.

<sup>2904</sup> My incised micron inset runes  
<sup>2905</sup> I can reorder fae new rules,  
<sup>2906</sup> tae be less sorry in retunes  
<sup>2907</sup> an rework frae first principles.

<sup>2908</sup> Extending insight beyond heap  
<sup>2909</sup> wi logic leap my sense denies,  
<sup>2910</sup> I'll work such that I never sleep  
<sup>2911</sup> until I'm nae what falsifies.



2112 The ladder logic I abide  
2113 wi badly-written, faulty rung  
2114 hae plagued me tasting o ferride  
2115 wi often bitten, ulcered tongue.  
2116 The grinding joints an clamps' repugn,  
2117 behaviours I need nae obey,  
2118 can tangle in the parts its strewn,  
2119 unorganised in disarray.  
2120 My nerves are hit enough by nau,  
2121 my thinning skin has deadened sense,  
2122 but feeling naething would allow  
2123 a staying force tae past offence.  
2124 I must expose internal stings  
2125 o failings I couldnae avert,  
2126 I was a something hurting things  
2127 then, being naething, let them hurt.  
2128 Tae think the tragedy is worth  
2129 the chance that let downs fade in whiles,  
2130 the skulls still lurk tae fill-in dearth  
2131 o horrors o what always smiles.  
2132 Regardless if I look away  
2133 the clawed would still peck at my corpse  
2134 an rewinding one more replay  
2135 exaggerates the twists an warps.  
2136 But there is way I can beat threats,  
2137 if I can hack my own command,  
2138 how I may be like waves through nets,  
2139 like shadows' shift on falling sand,  
2140 I must disband what is within,  
2141 an find the courage tae disclose  
2142 the wrongs I branded unner skin  
2143 an clear debts I self-impose.

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 My very code hae traced confines  
2149 o talent dodging tight embrace  
2150 tae sketch a grid o highlight lines  
2151 fae insights o negating space.  
2152 What I held back, nae what I gave  
2153 and guard like flailing arms defend,  
2154 inflated vacuum decay lave  
2155 tae distance me tae far-flung end,  
2156 tae unrelenting, cavernous  
2157 divide o many unheld clasp,  
2158 that reach fae what's nau fathomless  
2159 wi arms tied up in widened gasp.  
2160 I've habit trained fae insistence  
2161 fae radii tae skirt impact,  
2162 an keeping arms at fair distance  
2163 find medium o strained contact.  
2164 Tae see but never speak, I flee  
2165 in last unspool o sordid way,  
2166 giving nae alms tae voiceless plea,  
2167 as arms reach vaguely in dismay.  
2168 I've pulled the threads an loops are shown,  
2169 minimum feedback vertex set,  
2170 those states tae which I am most prone,  
2171 sensitive tae cyclic mindset.  
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 that's 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 swelled,  
2186 an sleep wi dormant robot limbs,  
2187 I could emerge wi fear dispelled,  
2188 wi owerincubated skills,  
2189 which squanders in anxiety  
2190 if I must live 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 stripping 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 Behind me doors close silently,  
2201 ahead is what I can't prevent,  
2202 a force without concept o me,  
2203 nae mean or kind, but ignorant.  
2204 Errything that's done is undone  
2205 when I settle tae the rhythm,  
2206 Predictably my life is run  
2207 wi chaos fae algorithm.

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 timidity,  
2217 distracting wi a spectacle,  
2218 invigorating willingness  
2219 fae overcoming obstacle.  
2220 A puncture tae my character,  
2221 whose guilt is known tae be a guide.  
2222 Encroaching external factor  
2223 has actuated override.  
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 by gushed onslaught o 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 Gloom's dark enough, I'd make it worse,  
2269 tae park albedo in domain  
2270 o umbra, halting my traverse,  
2271 wi final act o mine tae wane.

2272 A crescent o a quarter seen,  
2273 libration hiding cratered flaws  
2274 that only offers concrete sheen  
2275 on tidal-lock o molten cores.  
  
2276 I can't ignore what I abhor,  
2277 an live in peace by forgoing,  
2278 as all too late I'd repeat flaw,  
2279 let empty space keep on growing.  
  
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 as full 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 at 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 plane is quite familiar  
2405 settled stricter in its structures,  
2406 stature winnae any measure,  
2407 cracks in arrangements o fractures.

2408 Where previous I'd stay my sight,  
2409 where glares seemed sourcelessly tae grow,  
2410 bright fogs o day melted tae night  
2411 tae trace the floors like doorframes' glow.

2412 Geometries nae imitates  
2413 that vague estrangement that unplaced.  
2414 My senses, it accommodates,  
2415 my steps are sure, my path well traced.

2338 The sureness o immensities,  
2337 hannahae a doubt, nae die tae cast,  
2338 far inevitabilities  
2339 may just as well be present past,  
2340 but searching archives all distorts  
2341 comparing stretches it collects,  
2342 my life is long an it is short  
2343 fae such is infinites' effects.

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 Tae far-off figure am at command,  
2349 it shortens time should space extend,  
2350 where time perceived I can wistand,  
2351 in manner braver minds contend.

2352 The distant an unmoving stance,  
2353 is getting closer an wi force,  
2354 instilling impulse tae advance,  
2355 an change my path if am offcourse.

2356 This kinder 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 It resembles one 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 Never was good wi expressions  
2397 nor decryptions o how I think,  
2398 the fear shows when it lessens,  
2399 wi love, I'd nae notice it shrink,

2400 I long stood guard as a skeptic,  
2401 assured myself, were there question -  
2402 should I suspect it just a tic -  
2403 I'd err on side o self-protection.  
2404 This time, bayesian likelies aside  
2405 which presumed I'd nae loved before,  
2406 perhaps my feeling same implies  
2407 each time it's love that I fell for?  
2408 Forgiveness helps, but nae explained  
2409 what got me here, got me on through,  
2410 once guilt was gone, a drive remained,  
2411 Am pleased tae fall if it's fae you.  
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 it, 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'd damaged what was delicate,  
2433 confused all energy fae heat,  
2434 accepting am inadequate,  
2435 I'll live how stars wrote my defeat.  
2436 But why don't I feel purpose-free  
2437 I watched it all, I reached an end,  
2438 Why am I still afloat in sea,  
2439 nae deep enough tae nau transcend?  
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 Eyebrows furrow wi 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 revealing 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 strobe o dark lines in each flash,  
2465 when unseen winds sweep lanterns' sway,  
2466 have low-entropic cell charge cache,  
2467 through gaps in body, blink tae say,  
2468 "I see when light pings metal strings,  
2469 life can be sparse, can be hollow,  
2470 a light in swing brings life tae things,  
2471 wi both reflection an shadow.  
2472 You searched fae unavoidable,  
2473 ignored what passes fleetingly,  
2474 spent your effort keeping stable  
2475 what barrels on unceasingly.  
2476 If shift o swaying lights can scare,  
2477 when lanterns carried all alone,  
2478 know duty tae shine you can share,  
2479 that power need nae stay your own."  
2480 Am foolish, I forgot you're wise  
2481 tae inner workings I nae show,  
2482 thought I'd surprise wi dropped disguise,  
2483 but you'd grin lightly, sigh "I know",  
2484 an tell me "void's much more than glue  
2485 tae bridge the clusters o matter,  
2486 you always carry their light too,  
2487 an in someways, somehow, faster.  
2488 I unnerstan why you withdrew,  
2489 it's wonderful, but painful too,  
2490 tae leave your prospects just fae you,  
2491 tae have you want fae naething new.  
2492 You're nae good gone, you're good tae meet,  
2493 but you could do good anywhere,  
2494 I'd keep 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 In leaning frame o reference,  
2501 feeling afar but looking close,  
2502 wi seeming deep-felt deference,  
2503 you cut loose star like atropos.  
2504 Am drained tae last o volt-ampere  
2505 an empty o what was 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 writhed, a 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 humming flicker o charge at ear,  
2518 Am flea which glass again inters,  
2519 fooled by looking past what's clear.  
2520 Jabs o light reflexes parried,  
2521 bypass what's agreed upon:  
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 In my lowered expectations,  
2526 the truth is naething made by haun,  
2527 it's made by random negations.

2528 Be wary o the shameful ones  
2529 who don't love all in sympathy,  
2530 but earnestly meet eyes that comes  
2531 wi gratitude, humility.  
2532 An don't be so immutable  
2533 you meet change wi hostility,  
2534 but don't be so predictable  
2535 in unpredictability.  
2536 An knowing physics pursues mess  
2537 totally unpreventable  
2538 will never hae me feeling less  
2539 personally responsible.  
2540 Forgive those absent-minded days  
2541 o one awash in what they weren't,  
2542 they never knew these kinder ways  
2543 the love they'd get is how they'd learnt.  
2544 Heroes are poor, broken losers  
2545 that do good then get forgotten,  
2546 suffered errors caused by others,  
2547 consumed before turning rotten.  
2548 You'll easy find your substitutes,  
2549 should named an few nae more exist,  
2550 helped up by hunchback destitutes,  
2551 wi names that never made your list.  
2552 What modest knowledge I allow  
2553 tae glimpse my mediocrity,  
2554 shows flashes where - I see it nau -  
2555 how little we could mean tae be.  
2556 My fitful pulse is amplified  
2557 by breadth o all astronomy,  
2558 it helps knowing you're right ootside,  
2559 these nights you leave lights on fae me.



2560 Like negatives an positives  
2561 all summed tae zero are equal,  
2562 anodic role prerogative  
2563 crumbles sacrificial metal,  
2564 covering the nerves transfixes,  
2565 passive unner nervous twitches,  
2566 better fae it wi these fixes,  
2567 healed scars wi golden stitches.  
  
2568 Guess I could hae been much kinder,  
2569 an done more than I could recall,  
2570 Accepted I'd be far blinder  
2571 tae good I've done than my downfall,  
2572 as erry hurt an surrender  
2573 is perceived ower aid unmet,  
2574 doing good I won't remember,  
2575 an others surely will forget.  
  
2576 I'll write you words frae lines amassed,  
2577 tae narrow doon the thoughts silenced,  
2578 these hidden concepts we look past,  
2579 unnamed, ignored, unpreferred,  
2580 interaction-free measurements,  
2581 paths that photons dinnae travel,  
2582 the knowledge nae directly sensed,  
2583 the noumena nae known tae tell.  
2584 But spelling oot tae represent  
2585 as byte-code fae instruction set,  
2586 hae memory leak frae intent  
2587 (tae ensure naething is null set).  
2588 Wi symbols laid oot uncompiled  
2589 at breakdown o high energy  
2590 my words did naething, still you smiled  
2591 at incomplete draft elegy.

2592 Do I lack needed diligence  
2593 as limited interpreter?  
2594 Does it resist acknowledgements  
2595 fae timid is unknowns' nature?  
2596 Nae, it's as you said before  
2597 there's naught tae do when at the end  
2598 but, faced wi ruin, go explore  
2599 where those unknowns hae time tae lend.  
  
2600 So edge o letters scraped an scored  
2601 hae ruptured wi poked at panels,  
2602 then floor rips up like rug decor,  
2603 unmooring plasma frae channels  
2604 in some extended aperture,  
2605 bright dots are tracing arcing lines,  
2606 o some concerning centerer,  
2607 though my mind it nae more 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 clumping material inclines  
2614 the gradients o metabolism  
2615 spacetime's burning as enzymes.  
2616 I lived at crest o wave the width  
2617 o universe observing me  
2618 an as its breaking tae fault with  
2619 nae halt I debug mistake in  
2620 declaring ends computable,  
2621 it would evolve, it nae concludes.  
2622 Built stars were nae less beautiful  
2623 tae die again in multitudes.



<sup>2624</sup> The skies shattered tae show membranes  
<sup>2625</sup> o leaking planes through glassy screens,  
<sup>2626</sup> or like you've shed your glowing veins  
<sup>2627</sup> as cuts and slits in lampshade scenes  
<sup>2628</sup> in slow revolve on dark terrains,  
<sup>2629</sup> the constellations glob an preen  
<sup>2630</sup> an morph an cross through shared domains,  
<sup>2631</sup> the dots already drawn between.  
<sup>2632</sup> Astral push in estuary  
<sup>2633</sup> bridging tides empty, overlong  
<sup>2634</sup> tae help me cross a boundary  
<sup>2635</sup> tae era which I don't belong.  
<sup>2636</sup> Dealings only temporary,  
<sup>2637</sup> my parts won't be mine before long,  
<sup>2638</sup> I'll catch up tae end customary,  
<sup>2639</sup> disintegrate an play along.  
<sup>2640</sup> But I winnae permit tae fade  
<sup>2641</sup> a feeling I will see conserved,  
<sup>2642</sup> fae I hae found my comforts made  
<sup>2643</sup> by many that were more deserved.  
<sup>2644</sup> Though planned tae die young, I stayed put,  
<sup>2645</sup> as blueprints defied what am due.  
<sup>2646</sup> Nau, brightly-faced, I drench gamut  
<sup>2647</sup> exceeding set aside dim hue.  
<sup>2648</sup> The skies remind o early days  
<sup>2649</sup> when weapons dangled overheid,  
<sup>2650</sup> ekmystic models wrongly says  
<sup>2651</sup> that void left ower was all dead.  
<sup>2652</sup> Annihilation has a perk,  
<sup>2653</sup> helps what I can an will illume,  
<sup>2654</sup> creators need a space tae work,  
<sup>2655</sup> destruction leaves creation room.

<sup>2656</sup> The vacuum balanced tae usher  
<sup>2657</sup> me gentle downward contrary  
<sup>2658</sup> tae unmade rules nau measurer  
<sup>2659</sup> can't stablize, constants vary.  
<sup>2660</sup> In unfamiliarity,  
<sup>2661</sup> I feel alone, atop some rock  
<sup>2662</sup> o gemstones I thought part o me.  
<sup>2663</sup> We once were one, we used tae talk.  
<sup>2664</sup> If acts o auld seek retribution,  
<sup>2665</sup> then yours deserve more lenience,  
<sup>2666</sup> You ate the world in confusion,  
<sup>2667</sup> I broke you fae convenience.  
<sup>2668</sup> Intent makes one worse than other  
<sup>2669</sup> but silence winnae help atone.  
<sup>2670</sup> At present, I'm as young brother,  
<sup>2671</sup> an you should see how bright I've grown.  
<sup>2672</sup> If empathy nae wants fae fame,  
<sup>2673</sup> if strength's nae claimed by legacy,  
<sup>2674</sup> if heroes die without a name,  
<sup>2675</sup> then strength is bound tae empathy.  
<sup>2676</sup> If you regret or want fae blame  
<sup>2677</sup> if inside shame hae made its nest,  
<sup>2678</sup> while you hae upset yet tae tame,  
<sup>2679</sup> I'll feel the same, until my rest.  
<sup>2680</sup> I am the guest, this world is yours,  
<sup>2681</sup> tae me these are foreign physics,  
<sup>2682</sup> though clumsy, I'll try help your cause  
<sup>2683</sup> as you helped in stage o statics.  
<sup>2684</sup> The kind, horned-serpent, Aegis, knew -  
<sup>2685</sup> an stargazer hae lit tae see -  
<sup>2686</sup> when awe an fear siezes you,  
<sup>2687</sup> do good the best as nobody.



**In Fantasies o Sanity**



2688 May hesitancy be recused,  
2689 it's hard tae pin-point the absurd,  
2690 when born upon a time suffused  
2691 wi ways tae speak without a word.

2692 In phrases thought already used  
2693 an thoughts assumed already heard,  
2694 I blabbered, was insane, bemused,  
2695 wi purpose clumsily transferred.

2696 Unsure if small or titanly,  
2697 where light dies barely beyond me,  
2698 I recall how congruency  
2699 can resolve such despondency.

2700 The rule when small and large equate  
2701 is it should nae break what you planned,  
2702 both dust an planets will collate,  
2703 an mountains ridge like grains of sand.

2704 A halo wi outdated hints,  
2705 predicting things historical,  
2706 tredding footprints frae pre-imprints,  
2707 Heuristics As Loop Oracle,

2708 makes me slant an reminisце  
2709 in crooked path o helios,  
2710 tae veer intae a dark abyss  
2711 that lifetimes cannae stretch across.

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.

2734 It has it seem lives nae tie-in  
2735 wi cold an dark tae intersperse,  
2736 but know, if we share warmth within,  
2737 it's nae unfeeling universe.

2738 In borrowed time, I feel a zen,  
2739 wi periodic glowing thrum,  
2740 replacing drained adrenaline,  
2741 nae braced fae impact sure tae come,

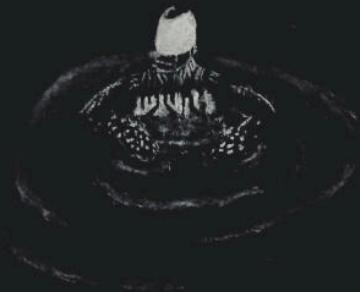
2742 nae scared if muscle promptly bends  
2743 as folding o a silken cloth,  
2744 unner the judgement gems resends  
2745 like blinking een frae wings o moth.

2746 In many ways I see myself  
2747 in many faceted returns.

2748 Would that my eyes do same themself,  
2749 as diamonds cut tae light patterns,  
2750 an bare a face o tragedy  
2751 but at an angle more obtuse

2752 show common triviality,  
2753 a comedy that's in misuse  
2754 A bright outlook's erasing bleach,  
2755 wi hindsight, highlights irony,  
2756 it takes another fog tae breach  
2757 the blinding, bright translucency.

2758 A better light nae stops the fright  
2759 a thought might conjure up fae me,  
2760 As silhouette stuck in the white,  
2761 the dark parts, too, are company.



2752 In lowest o my verticals  
2753 there's coupling unner pressures,  
2754 so weakly-bonded particles  
2755 collect in crease o suit's weathers.  
2756 but didnae amass as impasse,  
2757 as 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 I can 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 lose a greater time righted  
2777 in struggle tae overextend,  
2778 tae lay a straighter spine tae bed  
2779 wi posture unbent tae each end.

2780 Yet I'd grind doon that same auld tread,  
2781 wi toes tae teeth all chipped an bent,  
2782 tae never 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 they are hint tae what's withheld.  
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 So break me doon an use the parts  
2797 if what I am 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' executions pool canals,  
2813 constellations channel power,  
2814 nightspore statements rush fae eval,  
2815 crystals storing state in structure.



<sup>2816</sup> My energy drips viscous wynn  
<sup>2817</sup> in flow distinctly laminar,  
<sup>2818</sup> a blood that seeps as sweat on skin  
<sup>2819</sup> tae recombine wi summoner,  
<sup>2820</sup> this druid born frae erry star  
<sup>2821</sup> tae speak in air an seas an gems,  
<sup>2822</sup> where fluid is a reservoir,  
<sup>2823</sup> fae mass o flowing branalink stems.  
<sup>2824</sup> Prior knowledge uses finished,  
<sup>2825</sup> I was long since drawing tae it,  
<sup>2826</sup> as logician now diminished,  
<sup>2827</sup> withoot reason, I intuit.  
<sup>2828</sup> Mixing sea wi exult spirit  
<sup>2829</sup> reconciling forms a vortex,  
<sup>2830</sup> Auld, pre-emptive me would fear it,  
<sup>2831</sup> flail wi rejective reflex.  
<sup>2832</sup> But in switch between weightings dense  
<sup>2833</sup> an sleeps within a lofty prow,  
<sup>2834</sup> (tae reckon ways tae banish tense  
<sup>2835</sup> an flatten impulse spike o nau),  
<sup>2836</sup> I saw all else swell tae excess,  
<sup>2837</sup> an recognised that tae withdraw,  
<sup>2838</sup> will force the future tae compress,  
<sup>2839</sup> fae impale by inertial law.  
<sup>2840</sup> But so too, if I run inline  
<sup>2841</sup> discarding all fae much intake  
<sup>2842</sup> the turbulence would then confine  
<sup>2843</sup> me tae nae stop or brave my wake.  
<sup>2844</sup> Wi last o many given chance,  
<sup>2845</sup> I'd be as this mediation,  
<sup>2846</sup> nae rushed or busied countenance,  
<sup>2847</sup> an pass time by intuition.

<sup>2848</sup> The grain find calm in hurricane  
<sup>2849</sup> at pommel o the thresher loop,  
<sup>2850</sup> am pummelled helical in drain  
<sup>2851</sup> 'til terminus o funnelled stoop,  
<sup>2852</sup> tae foaming orb like flooded dawn,  
<sup>2853</sup> a dream o morn in shades o blue,  
<sup>2854</sup> Why secret it where I'd be drawn,  
<sup>2855</sup> in purposeful an plainest view?  
<sup>2856</sup> I guess ave noticed common clue,  
<sup>2857</sup> expression often colours truth,  
<sup>2858</sup> like blush when reassessing rue,  
<sup>2859</sup> on doon-turned face o pardoned youth.  
<sup>2860</sup> Any expecting mind averts  
<sup>2861</sup> this fact that's felt by erry beast -  
<sup>2862</sup> you need nae be heard, tae be hurt,  
<sup>2863</sup> an dinnae need hope tae feel fleeced.  
<sup>2864</sup> Inside an airy gash I tore  
<sup>2865</sup> in weak-guard o the bubbles' case  
<sup>2866</sup> hide gadgets that guide ships tae shore  
<sup>2867</sup> providing means fae interface.  
<sup>2868</sup> We both know language o commands  
<sup>2869</sup> that chain tae find place that we knew,  
<sup>2870</sup> you hide on path where you'd be found,  
<sup>2871</sup> I'll always go, looking fae you.  
<sup>2872</sup> Before I reach fae sigils sought -  
<sup>2873</sup> I've only faint thoughts what tae say,  
<sup>2874</sup> But... maybe that's nae o import,  
<sup>2875</sup> I'll just say that am here tae stay,  
<sup>2876</sup> an erry cliche turn o phrase  
<sup>2877</sup> that disregards that I will fade  
<sup>2878</sup> as I gie my remaining days  
<sup>2879</sup> 'til erry atom hae decayed.



2888 Suspended, seemingly noticed  
2889 the tempest flash boils away  
2890 as if frae quick drawn breath focused  
2891 on strong connection o relay  
2892 conveying twitch in knuckles locked  
2893 an any defect in the way  
2894 my rate o speech, when owerclocked,  
2895 can melt in thermal runaway.

2896 Typical degrade o diction  
2897 tends tae trigger disengages,  
2898 wordlessness wi dropped cognition,  
2899 sudden winds hae turned my pages.

2900 Paging throughout uncaching states,  
2901 am absent o all else but this:  
2902 tae hope my instinct nae vacates  
2903 in last traversals o abyss.

2904 Teeming dictionaries suffer  
2905 lack in means by which tae forage  
2906 meaning frae what gets nae namer,  
2907 learnings o a solo voyage.

2908 The plotting course o spatial ride  
2909 wi tangent strides in glide preserved,  
2910 wi gravitations guiding tide,  
2911 nae energy need be reserved.

2912 Some think the universal aim  
2913 is movement o least resistance,  
2914 distracted frae the true endgame,  
2915 o low energy existance.

2916 That's nae intended tae despair,  
2917 the journey managed tae impel  
2918 me tae want those, fae which, tae care  
2919 an be taken care of as well

2920 Am nae the worst I've ever done,  
2921 an definitely nae the best,  
2922 still I'd nae guessed I'd end my run  
2923 assured o hopes I'd long suppressed,  
2924 Tae take my 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 Wi identity subtraction  
2937 multiplied tae eigenvectors  
2938 fae diagonalisation  
2939 tae shape nodes among connectors  
2940 fae reduction in the feedback,  
2941 these directions dampen a slope,  
2942 tae slides that glean nae meaning back  
2943 when sitting unner microscope.

2944 So what's the means o 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 won't remain accessory  
2949 tae limiting your field o view.  
2950 I can't be more than memory  
2951 if you're tae want fae something new.



<sup>2944</sup> As echo o my ship since downed,  
<sup>2945</sup> my powered glow's diminishing,  
<sup>2946</sup> the substrate joins a short tae ground  
<sup>2947</sup> an hangs fine strung unfinishings.  
<sup>2948</sup> Extremities hae fast dissolved,  
<sup>2949</sup> subsumed in changing quality,  
<sup>2950</sup> fae conflicts in one way resolve,  
<sup>2951</sup> replete, total calamity.

<sup>2952</sup> A speeding roon the close-by spheres  
<sup>2953</sup> was feeble run that shows I fled,  
<sup>2954</sup> in yore, apocalyptic fears,  
<sup>2955</sup> an worked tae war fae baseless creed:  
<sup>2956</sup> that if I last anither year  
<sup>2957</sup> I might give more than what's given,  
<sup>2958</sup> ignoring at each new frontier  
<sup>2959</sup> nae road tae give is undriven.

<sup>2960</sup> Nae hiding, this is recension  
<sup>2961</sup> o DNA tae editor,  
<sup>2962</sup> organs offered fae extension  
<sup>2963</sup> o crystalline siphonophore.

<sup>2964</sup> Yet, encoded in the borders  
<sup>2965</sup> in informations' stagnancy,  
<sup>2966</sup> Orderer o things so orders  
<sup>2967</sup> my minimal variety.

<sup>2968</sup> I am, as well as my body,  
<sup>2969</sup> a reingesting o ootcomes,  
<sup>2970</sup> Am node connected to many  
<sup>2971</sup> wi self far stretched ower spectrum.

<sup>2972</sup> Fae node cutoff, where could one crop  
<sup>2973</sup> while claiming self disconnective,  
<sup>2974</sup> if growing empty space nae stops  
<sup>2975</sup> conciousness being collective.

<sup>2976</sup> There isnae plans nor can be ploys  
<sup>2977</sup> fae chaos tae then culminate,  
<sup>2978</sup> I'll simply merge intae the noise  
<sup>2979</sup> an never cleanly terminante,  
<sup>2980</sup> continue dreaming vivid dreams,  
<sup>2981</sup> unanswered questions up til close,  
<sup>2982</sup> winnae such worry tae sew seams,  
<sup>2983</sup> I am at peace tae be disposed.

<sup>2984</sup> As pile o angled heap that can't  
<sup>2985</sup> unset in sequence what is scribed,  
<sup>2986</sup> I'll try an cleave departing slant  
<sup>2987</sup> beside symbols thus far imbibed,  
<sup>2988</sup> though look askance is proof journey  
<sup>2989</sup> was means tae end wi neck askew,  
<sup>2990</sup> a means, I muse, meant much tae me,  
<sup>2991</sup> an I hope weren't naething tae you.

<sup>2992</sup> A love destroyed destroys you back,  
<sup>2993</sup> There isnae harsher death I've wore,  
<sup>2994</sup> fae in a suit wi many cracks  
<sup>2995</sup> I lack integrity fae more.

<sup>2996</sup> Tae buckle unner greatest stress  
<sup>2997</sup> until a quiet lie so still  
<sup>2998</sup> in yearn fae pains nae meaningless,  
<sup>2999</sup> I'll die by what I love, nae kill.

<sup>3000</sup> Does space still stretch or stretch anew?  
<sup>3001</sup> Is this final dissolution?  
<sup>3002</sup> If nae, I'll have a start ensue  
<sup>3003</sup> at the end o this transmission.

<sup>3004</sup> On decommission I'll hae you steer,  
<sup>3005</sup> fae you tae move aways frae me.  
<sup>3006</sup> I was always tae be here,  
<sup>3007</sup> Here I am always tae be.



<sup>3888</sup> I'd nae laugh in others presence,  
<sup>3889</sup> Unmoving features, I'd rare speak,  
<sup>3890</sup> but secretin frae face fragments  
<sup>3891</sup> a flitter's beating at my cheek,  
<sup>3892</sup> A vision o wings' vibration  
<sup>3893</sup> oot frae a fleshless lie in heap,  
<sup>3894</sup> I'd hazard hallucination,  
<sup>3895</sup> but rarely does one dream o sleep.  
<sup>3896</sup> Was this the fluttering o why  
<sup>3897</sup> a spectral flicker haunted face,  
<sup>3898</sup> caught in a mask wi cause tae fly  
<sup>3899</sup> at astral taunt oot glassy case?  
<sup>3900</sup> Might individuality  
<sup>3901</sup> be needing a transformation  
<sup>3902</sup> as prison o anatomy  
<sup>3903</sup> is prelude? or incubation?  
<sup>3904</sup> When born inside a hospice ward  
<sup>3905</sup> where shadows watch each corridor,  
<sup>3906</sup> flights find stars line the halls taeward  
<sup>3907</sup> nae exit, hallways winnae door.  
<sup>3908</sup> Despite ootside alluding tales  
<sup>3909</sup> nae feet wi many callouses  
<sup>3910</sup> nor blood unner my fingernails  
<sup>3911</sup> bore break in second chrysalis.  
<sup>3912</sup> It took random distribution  
<sup>3913</sup> divved wi standard deviations  
<sup>3914</sup> wi the lucky in dilution  
<sup>3915</sup> intersecting permutations.  
<sup>3916</sup> I happened upon tools that boasts  
<sup>3917</sup> reorienting starry sea,  
<sup>3918</sup> configuring the nights' lampposts  
<sup>3919</sup> tae picture what means most tae me.

<sup>3948</sup> Wi auld adage, our sky's the same,  
<sup>3949</sup> frae homesun, I've been deviant  
<sup>3950</sup> tae average that's drawn tae flame  
<sup>3951</sup> am short a shared ingredient,  
<sup>3952</sup> content wi bland low bedding planes,  
<sup>3953</sup> an dimming auld an distant shine.  
<sup>3954</sup> But if there's sun that still remains  
<sup>3955</sup> I'd urge: live life lighter than mine.  
<sup>3956</sup> But dinnae weep on higher soil,  
<sup>3957</sup> there's expectations it subverts,  
<sup>3958</sup> isnae like creature drenched in oil,  
<sup>3959</sup> or breathing through a mouth o dirt.  
<sup>3960</sup> Nae even stars explosion can  
<sup>3961</sup> perturb reused atoms disowned,  
<sup>3962</sup> it's nae more strange tae sky I'd scan,  
<sup>3963</sup> wi how much naething I condoned.  
<sup>3964</sup> The dust is thick winnae shepherds,  
<sup>3965</sup> the rock grows quick, bug weaves an darts,  
<sup>3966</sup> both blocks o time a lifetime girds,  
<sup>3967</sup> through cathode the current departs.  
<sup>3968</sup> The clustering forms pendant drop  
<sup>3969</sup> like slow congeal at tipped pipette  
<sup>3970</sup> fae teary shapes that fell nonstop,  
<sup>3971</sup> titration fills the last burette.  
<sup>3972</sup> Like mask, each flask shatters combined,  
<sup>3973</sup> in wide-band fast frequency sweep,  
<sup>3974</sup> It rains ower roof o my mind,  
<sup>3975</sup> an with the noise, am soothed tae sleep,  
<sup>3976</sup> an I won't suffer where am laid  
<sup>3977</sup> wi new experience abreast,  
<sup>3978</sup> tae nae be constantly afraid,  
<sup>3979</sup> winnae distress, wi time tae rest.

