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“So I did not want this particular bubble of submarine bonds playing off the IPPI to pop, as I didn’t quite have all my ducks in a row. Bubbles, skin, ducks, yes it was a morass of mixed metaphors, a veritable swamp one might say, adding one to the ones already there, but this is what all the recomplikations of the game have led to: it’s gotten so complex that it can’t be understood, so everyone resorts to stories from a simpler time. . . .

—Franklin, pp. 213, *NY2140*

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“Computation is training governance to see the world as it does and to be blind like it is. If, over time, something sees for the state, on behalf of the state and in place of the state, it does so by seeing as a state, or by seeing as something the state has not yet become but would become once it’s trained by these same new tools of perception and blindness. As the state involves new techniques into itself, those techniques also absorb, displace, and diminish the state by controlling access to unique jurisdictions that the state cannot otherwise possibly comprehend without their help. While it extends jurisdictionality, The Stack also confiscates and multiplies it.”

—Bratton, *The Stack*, pp. 90