Audh

An afterthought
To my thesis on MacDiarmid:
Is Audh the feminine form
Of Hugh?



1-2-10

Ode to Uncle Ben
The King of Lichtenstein
A tithe of the tenth
Of the life that was left
For your children
Plucking the fragrant rice
From their reflection
Caesar's face from a coin
How old they are.



1-2-11

We're a buzz on the circuit
Recycling
Scrap and iron ores and haemoglobin.
Indite your careful odes
To get the meter read in hertz and ohms
Which is not what you meant. But then
Who owes and who owns what we don't know.
Ship oars and drift.
You might take the rushing crackle for applause.

