The light is pink through the backs of trees

can be pines or larches or pears

kinship terms more familiar than names can be

distancing diminuitivizing disrespectful disappearing

no longer unfamiliar power cut no inverter

use the gas make tea

a smell dettol stronger than dettol alkaline toxic

from the nextdoor bakery

not the smell but the trees beyond

can be

clay dirt car path cement wood block pine

stone diesel pitched rooves

a belt that looks like it’s in inches

measuring land they wanted to measure right up to the drain

he demanded they measure four feet from the drain and they wouldn’t

they measured two feet from the drain but it was sufficient

multiplied 130 per square foot by 150 by something and it

had come to seven and something

and the seller had asserted had said

are you accusing me of making a mistake it’s eight

The light is still morning light

thin but full and not paining bright

Kyntiak

later poached and eaten

by neighbors leaving the vox-hollow bereft

jean thread hangings

tangling attachment

is intent on something

muscles tighten dainty

to articulate tip

like citrus vapor

the light emulsifies

micronic

droplet flammande.

Kyntiak intensifies,

jaws

opening and closing rapidly in a clatter

like toy teeth

wound spring needles

and she in a trance

flashing the jaws very rapidly

opening and closing

like a kind of chatter

in the throat an involuntary eck eck eck eck

then a short echo in the grass and I realize

she’s imitating a small black bird nearly perfectly

as a kind of lure

involuntarily

Let out in the afternoon moon

hens sawdust sticking to their heels

forking but ignored

draw lines

in the wet grass pushing up

*pyrjong* mosquitos

Kyntiak

back up

astride the white chickens

their paths

intimate gossamers

but gossamers

require cosseting

to be expected to survive

Now it’s after 5 close the windows already two hours

since the mosquitoes replicated and were born

Nature where encroachments and distortions are everywhere

in clime

train tongue to treat aspirant h

a consonant that clusters differently

voiced not voiceless not melded two character

plosive but single-wound copper core

th as in

thy

I

freely

take

thee

Too wet in the back to whitewash

or paint the doors

Too hot up top

corrugated paint curdles elastic chips

Too much labor and it’s not an entertainment for anyone it’s not a puzzle

it’s from one perspective only delight and destruct mostly and no one is delighted

The blue scrap sitting

on the bottom of four shelves damp down mutton bone *thlone*

lisp as sophisticated language marker Castillian cottage dacha

tin-roof Tudor

Starting construction the field next door accommodates

another giant concrete abode

outdoor tube-lights fail to explode

the two they I was surprised by the degree of his indignation

that a state founded on principle could go so far into

distortion and turn I say it surprised me and it also made me angry

Nuclear minority Romulus and Remus

Romanized orthography

botched epenthesis religiously-specific

garden pathology of another lot

Again corrugated roof in the rain too wet to paint

Sintex yellow print entire green islands flecking off

into black catchment I switch the pump on without asking Mei

and the siphon tubes lurch I don’t know where they go

There should be a pipe over the waste the disavowal of agency

in religious writing an appeal to the father

disavowal in political analysis an appeal to discusivity

and this house a dacha south and east outside the city limits

the city something like the Austrian city

ringed by mountains Mozart comes from what is it Salzburg

ringed by mountains like a berserk Maypole

Salzburgers

microtonic

mistaken for something

that could support empiric

outposting

instead sustains

rural health mission

The light is fading

the bed is mading

the red light atop the black plastic

speakers’ subwoofer beats in waltz time

jaggery candy

striper

Morse bill

of lading

Ezekiel

trading

Heart beating,

bp-bp, bp-BP!

repeating

reap

chattering teeth

skitter across polished teak