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Prosthesis

One summer when I was little I use to wait by myself at the end of the driveway for the day camp bus. The trees were filled with birds and I learned how to make their sounds and I spoke to them and they replied. I could tell one bird call from another and had my eyes on the branches while my voice echoed loudly and without restraint off the pavement.

How the voice is part of the body and alters with the body's growth.

The confusion, question, of whose voice is whose, from where do words issue? Who has them like we have an arm?

The legal voice and its link to limb.

The voice that exists without body, on tape, on the phone, on the radio—its omniscient fascist possibilities all by itself.

Led to the definition of engastriloque:

- a. 1728, Hutchinson, *Witchcraft*: There are also many that can form Words and Voices in their Stomach, which shall seem to come from others rather than the Person that speaks them. Such people are called Engastriloques. ... There was a compact between the engastriloque and the exorcist...
- b. To cast the voice
- c. A wench, practicing her diabolical witchcraft. Some have questioned whether it can be done lawfully or no. Speaking from the bottom of the belly is a thing as strange as anything in witchcraft.

Prosthesis

Fence of branch or antler or wire. Ploughed clouds

We took no snapshots Acted on ceremonial whims Drove on dirt roads

A bolt of cloth unfolding, the sky

Front of the sea World as mosaic And leads up to it

tubing, metal and glass containers attached at joints and flesh

It replies: I do not want the intervention in the invention. I am asked; am met by great reluctance.

The voice speaks to its own mouth and also from a speech external

There is some discussion in regard to giving up this body

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take	pictu	es	after	los	sing		
a for	earm		Without arm				
after	receivir	ng 1	Nobel				
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worke	ed by ti	ricep	and	bicep			

Construed, middle
no unguent. Turning lathe.
Angles for potential attachment diminish against the backdrop
of all that has led.
Prediction of sequence attached at joints,
mechanics of rejoinder

Like a bolt of lightning unfolding the sky

Do you have a mission? As your pocket knife and bag of crusts suggest? Do you have a friend? As your friendliness suggests? Does the tubing around your torso connote experience? Are you in the pool or did the parting of water leave you behind?

The drapery of a sarong unfolding a thigh

Age of glasses device and devise more boats appear Sea foregrounded as painted backdrop painted motion except where radioactive waste beats the armada heart lined up underground artery of iron ship hulls on inverted horizon

They too want sleep. In those mountains beyond the narrow highways live the untamed

Suffering at the hands of weather As on the open ocean or in the bush at night Emotion here is nothing but the feeling of a bodily state

time for immemorial curfew hours on memory

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who knew it's vacancy that constitutes the usefulness of the room

Dear ventriloquist,

Time excised from memory. Someone was born to be our occasion. And given a name. Now he wants to take it back. Leave the camera's eye. They want him the way fan blades want to disperse heat. I want him too. Let him be the focus of the story so that it may be told. This too is shameful: A name lies in a crushed car under the collapsed upper deck of the bridge. Sequence of letters forgotten but the fact of a name and the reportedly large size of a body graphically recalled. Do not reveal how much we want his name. Sitting on the edge of the bed using the place of his forgotten name as an excuse.

A bolt of sleep excises light

We read at swans' edge Acted on angers' angle Walked barefoot on marble

the waashing the waanting

he wanted to wash her feet

washing the wanting

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Who knew what would come of restored sight: "who on most	
occasions never even bothered to turn on the houselights in the evening but sat quietly alc	on
in the darkness"	

Who said of the lathe: "Now that I have felt it I can see it."

The industry is highly amorphous. Sales and profit figures are closely guarded. The money is good in duplicating the body. Everybody is a potential customer.

The one without leg who feels the leg

The one without the name who is only name

Helicopter talk:

Those whose roads are mined whose minds fragment

extravagantly
wearing traditional
gaudy dress
or do we call it costume?

With bloody arrow wounds all over their bodies they run

With bundles of clothes and boxes of diapers they run

later they are sweeping actually sweeping streets

As an outdoor movie screen breaks night sky

world as amnesiac and all that led

bibles provided for victims of the riot
the page that has been folded over and over

Personal questions for personal organs

- —You sold the body part to survive
- —You were \$25,000 in debt
- —A kidney or lung is an advanced salary
- —Trafficking in organs is illegal

They too want food wrapping and unwrapping the waste of others

Wash parts

Dear ventriloquist,

If I ran a hotel there would be a room for (you) those unencumbered (by body)

The limbless who stroll among us

Those without torso who do appear would sleep here

I was talking inside a warm airless box talking without noise and they heard me outside all around the building as an announcement on a P.A. system but soundless inside

Dear ventriloguist,

I want you to explain without arriving. I want you to arrive without appearing. Beck and Call is my favorite name for you.

the residual limb comfortably walks over uneven surfaces rotational forces provide a substantially more comfortable stroll

We repeat the unrepeatable Wash sculptural parts Spread a cloth

Dear ventriloquist,
Where was his body when he became body before being buried after becoming only
He who was what after being shot before the grandparents put their songs over him?

Howmedica Inc: We could manufacture fan blades for jets if we wanted or hips or knees—the aerospace industry uses the same material as we do

socket interfaces replacement parts

A woman takes off her coat A car takes off an arm A plane takes off

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socket interfaces

replacement parts

waste want

Dear ventriloquist,

You do not know your size We measure your intention by the number of witnesses out loud she is welcome You are not the assailant driving the wrong way

down a one way street. Anything can be turned into a cause

for suspicion outlaw actual motion without reprimand

the wasting the washing waste wawatnt

immersion in hands

Without name there is less to forget
Where the fathers are ashes in the mouth of
the future Where in that bend of the road they still
crouch knitting and rubbing in an attempt at sense
in the gentle and long the impossible
bandaging of themselves

charges dropped

Dear ventriloquist, This uncertainty in regard to direction— For which they are either drowned or burned— Engastriloques, under the trees— Talking to birds— To which we reply forgetting forgotten The price is forgotten or the price is forgetting Season hungry for light buildings destroyed but still intact Almost all we have left Compare the sand to the sand as farmers wash topsoil smothering fish and killing the reefs on to the reefs in order to eat somewhere somewhere somewhere somewhere as if use is legible

in the other

The new hand has an operating speed three to four times faster than existing hook-like electric hands, yet it maintains a gripping force of comparable magnitude. The closing and opening rate is similar to typical working speeds of the average human hand.

In one hemisphere the bat and in the other hummingbirds pollinate the same orchid another by day

The assailant got into a car

The wife of he whose sight was restored reported his great disappointment

Dear ventriloquist, Sky of fiberglass unrolled

Front of the world leading up to it

C A E S A R E A : . : Herod's City

In the first footnote to "Herod's Lament For Mariamne," —one of Byron's *Hebrew Melodies*— Ashton, the editor, quotes from Milman's *History of the Jews* in order to summarize part of the Herod and Mariamne story. According to Milman:

Mariamne, the wife of Herod the Great, falling under the suspicion of infidelity, was put to death by his order. She was a woman of unrivalled beauty, and a haughty spirit: unhappy in being the object of passionate attachment, which bordered on frenzy, to a man who had more or less concern in the murder of her grandfather, father, brother, and uncle, and who had twice commanded her death, in case of his own. Ever after, Herod was haunted by the image of the murdered Mariamne, until disorder of the mind brought on disorder of body, which led to temporary derangement.

In August 1811 Byron wrote to Augusta, "I don't know what Scrope Davies meant by telling you I liked Children, I abominate the sight of them so much that I have always had the greatest respect for the character of Herod."

Herod began construction of the city, Caesarea Maritima, in 22 B.C.. It is —still there— on the Mediterranean coast of what is now Israel — still a busy international port, now of archaeologists coming, going and reconstructing.

The question of Miramne remains. And somehow appropriately hovers in the Palestine/Israel zone of contested stories.

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Tell her					
when you go th	nere				
what you saw here					
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They	they				
gathered	the				

Sayarena

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Desert Limb

expel 400 march

rain Friday

march

ordered middle self-declared

over their heads fire

raised fears deportations

could shatter

CHARACTER

That which

I now affirm

as true

In a solitary chamber, gallery and staircase

is true

anxious agony

at feet

limb apostrophe

laborwork artery teeth

the fallen angle

We returned with torches

WE RETURNED TORCHES

into the house of mourning affliction

As said these words received a figure

sea ice surrounding mountains glacial

Tale within tale's duties of CREATOR TO CREATURE

This was the forest here I slept overcome by

my injurer

condemnation

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And I call on You and I call on you

drink deeply of drink deeply

guided by a narrow follow

Never a vision grief face

Life, obstinate and closest when most hated

You creator, but I, master

He is cold, he cannot answer

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It begins
as usual
with a journey
in a new
handed over
panegyric
litany without altar
microscope or crucible
"even mock the invisible
word with its own shadow"

— Mary Shelly

acute hearsay

old age wave

cresting the wait abreast

So we were sent and following followed. Memories before our time. We backwards think and on paper inherit contour, what to call it? We our readers' readers Not knowing where leaving off begins.

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Did he or did he not die

alone in his temple of which he knew nothing

the will hard to interpret

with a consideration remarkable in a desecrator

a wilderness known of this solitary nocturnal walks whose king he was

life on horseback long absences

Damascus he stood on the road beyond the gate of the city

so as not to forget what he had seen and so as to see nothing else

but scarcely saw at all

the line had come to intercede

Pure chance strangers strangers

He said as much to her

outside the gate flowers grow there

her intercession one at a time

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City builder Criminal pardoner

GRANITIC COLLABORATOR

rid the palace

she made no answer and he demanded none

of desolation dispelled captives' presence below in dungeons

had built this sanctuary for himself inward wilderness nocturnal walls

The bare name equals three different — one is not called ${\bf H}$ at all

divide and rule

lost command of lost events

messianic hopes

cosmopolis graven images

forbidden

Antipas Ascalon Ashkelon

your grandfather a slave in the temple

but that too is, no doubt a fiction Mother the henna flower Chypre sea be its home Cyprus song blossom beloved "You shall appoint over you a man of your own race: you must not appoint a foreigner." — Deuteronomy wept Never far from Jewish thoughts A system of fire signals by night army holy of holies into, Pompeii walked The heart for which thou bled'st; [bleeds] Byron Written and race credentials

Sanhedrin ancestral laws

wives as prize or escape Jerusalem and take his women with him

Where there was no street there was no action, no intercession no endeavor, no dispatch

The city square a form of relief this axial relation incident between edited space and expanse

this bled

not necessary

to believe

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Aspects of the Roman decision kingship divorced from high priesthood Acquisition: terminus of the spice route from Arabia

Valley of the Thieves

Narrow escapes.

How true is that story

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Nor did they respond
to the current
wave of belief in an after-life
no justification in the holy books
for the return
of body
as tradition says
a pharisee
is law walking
men may amend any and every
supplementations
                                             Go not command —
                      inferences:
collect consensus
exposition invisible
at ancient inkwells
the found, lingers
in letters immortality
no messianic wait
for words
words
secure the coming world
in a surround of
apocalyptic writings
enlarging on scriptural promise
Who the true follower
                                            Who false?
                covenant
                                   wasteland between
                salt sea (red)
                                   limestone cliffs
                passionate territory
                of message
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And is she dead? — and did they dare
 obey my phrensy's jealous raving?
                             Byron
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In the cowl of obedience concealed contract or hood and all its sequence and by the steps of that story she went up

Uncovered a woman in marble

other fragments Today

lacking head, arms, right leg

Who is

this

over the city after its death still standing in for she whose flesh was masons' mortar

And the archeologists too, crave her signal

called into current moral

a story of evil, a beautiful citadel

founded on soundless

Throat

Under excavation who villain

is the way it went

and whose beauty

Blame in honor of murder disarmed

And he placed her on an aristocratic rise The shadow of her cast larger

greeting while

itineraries, intrigue, genealogy

busied him beneath stone fidelity unfaltering gaze from which he never

escaped Tryst:

For the ceremony of founding many ropes are tied to her limbs and while the crowd of new citizens watch she is leveraged upright
Standing for the city
while the city rises
She wears a short dress
right breast bare, a cloak
falls from left shoulder and right thigh

She carries a sword belt short ceremonial sword in scabbard

Also headless, harness over his upper body, below her, he also sculpture, appeals up

his reassembled hawser harness

I will tow you

Or the city of archaeologists watch as he steers drill marks absent She holds the oar on coin — at harbor she wears the battlement crown

Straining against his harness for the damaged marble genius

Tyche of the colony

. .

Wanting to stay we go

hidden upon hidden

Bring king a dragon awoken

that after death his ashes rest in the tower he built

"So should all men raise up words for their lords

and the ship opened to take that motionless cargo

he whose word was obeyed when darkness had dropped" — Beowulf

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"In the city time visible

monuments public ways" open

more "than the written record" —Mumford

In hope archaeologic

they return to the partial stratigraphic

scrapbook childhood's grid site face Retrieve

read vertical

any feature in a square

legible

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Aerial infrared

zone

beneath open field ruins appear level locus, wall oven pottery cache, stone rows, mosaic pavement isolate assignment stratum indicator or diagnostic

to mark each

the eastern quay is now dry land

how to provide sufficient water beneath the keels of ships tied up along the harbor

along the resuscitated problem down to bedrock grey clay or sterile soil: buff-colored sand

which must have been

Let the floor plan of your heart And the recitation of your body Be acceptable, be sequential

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44 45

[And what was rage is] (Revenge turned to) agony - A; — Byron

Fighting in the hills

once more He

received messengers He alone

was mounted Campfires lit at this height

and season

for death Famous Maccabeean contempt

Not in battle-but from illness, he dreaded

bereft by an unseen or assassin, a stab

under the left shoulder blade a plot

under the tabernacle She, a stranger, constantly

close, no longer seen a permanent presence

The assassin big and tall like himself

He rode out slowly without destination

returned without

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wild] deep A; wild B

Byron

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Mariamne amneo

under memory for which he thrusts and cannot

Maritima sea guard under his body accord between

cease your name I building for which you

plan and cannot

body of water cornered

harbor your sensation

slave slaves sea I

am newest gone my name stops

your throat and builds landfill

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Rich with Territorial transfers bitumen or asphalt rises to Dead Sea surface

as mortar, as medicine, protection against worms and grubs for the embalming of corpses extremely profitable groves of date-palms and balsam at Jericho

To intervene in Arab affairs

Treachery Security Hazards — Tabernacles:

a holiday for rejoicing and drowning towards the end of warm weather your son Aristobulus: priest for one year but too well liked by the people, held under water, while you design land lock . .

plastic will replace

what lasts beyond flesh

manufactured across

time the opposite of rite

not its substitute knife to neck

finds "covenant" her search to sift for that "which needs no scapegoat"

her speech Time is limited in face of act to excavate Right now you are missing things everywhere "Why do we kill, break, eat" together — Irigaray

in order to be together

They remain a magnificent monumental

lifeless body

Horde in supplication to sculptural proctectress

Should you feed the child without profit or fatten and mark her for abduction

out in the grazing lands altars await her
the modern world never happened as it happens to her
because with tools they wait for her, pawing the ground and yawning
until her arrival, wrists tied in the knot we all know,
though have never and the car she rides in covers
as carriage of deliverance against violence unbearable because
invisible

MONUMENT MONUMENT

What is unseen and done to you is unbearable without my eyes

Why do we watch together in order to convene? In what shelter do we watch in order to know what happened then without you had its weight as does a pillar?

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There's not room in my heart

carve shale reveal

cavernous must

Consequently his Uncle Joseph was executed The informant, his own wife

Showering rich gifts on Cleopatra the queen he hated so well and escorting her all the way home beside the delta of the Nile

The morale of Antony's enormous forces weakened by the presence of a woman in camp Antony depended on her for construction of many ships built of the wood she disposed of in her new Syrian possessions

In this rocky basalt lava country

Moreover, at this juncture, (Spring, 31) a serious earthquake took place killing many thousands of persons and countless cattle

Cleopatra's ships which had stood in reserve turned away she and Antony fled back to Egypt

Guilty letters forged or otherwise

had his son

strangled a form of capital punishment unauthorized by Jewish tradition

There is no letter in my heart the real foe

outlived

Philoromaios Philokaiser COLLABORATOR INVENTOR

"any spite but a woman's"

— Ben Sira, Ecclesiasticus

Her arrest execution the boils on his neck or nervous break the purge did not close the rot had spread

Cure by construction and propaganda

Massive hippodrome wild beast contests gymnastics and wrestling: symbols of pagan Hellenism

Young Jews in athlete's hats and nothing else circumcisions surgically reversed thus repudiating the holy covenant 'for I, the Lord thy God, am a jealous God'

Total absence of men or beasts from coinage trophies on shelves instead of statues

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Where it stands upon a hill

within a saucer of other hills

a traveler from Jerusalem to Bethlehem
sees the cone of Herodium
dominating the southern view on the top a round fortress
a circular corridor along the circumference royal
apartments, baths, a great stone stairway no doubt a park
extended all around an aqueduct irrigated the surrounding
countryside cisterns and relay stations between one palace and
the next behind one a large bath-house in this waterless
region To harness flash floods to contend

Colossal will

upon built Caesarea to the decree of never cease

from Macrobius from Flavius Josephus literary portraits incomplete What do exist in abundance are remains buildings any formal silhouette

could easily communicate by signal mirror or fire with similar towers in Jerusalem of now of then the bright page mirror

in profile CONFLAGRATION

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But what is a city

that Baedeker Blue Guide of municipal administration recreation facilities, running water, arable land under the city's authority territory Caesarea's Goddess wears the city-wall crown

wish turned marble turned wall

chariot race inauguration, circus, gladiatorial combats — crowd control easier outside the city where Jews were less desecrated

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whose holy is city

whose holy city dead bread defense

3,500 spectators Cavea: The large pool cut into rock or salt-water tank used to breed and store fish

Stunning setting of the Promontory Palace

The term for city blocks is insulae islands here marooned

lost agoura massive ruins within five stationary sandunes

Sailors approaching Caesarea could see it from far out at sea

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Thus the king built a city

belief is not necessary creator to captor a city's haunches rise like a statue in supplication

or follow back like a bee at night no longer at rest while you rest

or raise like a sound her nocturnal visitation from oceans, seas use bodies of others Granted Tormented

answers up in aerial photos when the sea is calm and sun bright

From this ungainly craft "mother ship" underwater operations an iron pipe burrows through

bottom sand until it encounters

To dive by air bag, breathing apparatus lifting objects to the surface with ease

out of space into space

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Culmination is rebuilding culmination soft white stone used by Solomon quarried again

the holy palace should not be disfigured by noise or the commotion of face rather ten-thousand workmen one thousand priests trained as masons and carpenters

The 'mountain of the house' surrounding an inner shrine

To build a precinct the builder himself is forbidden to enter

Thus the power of the faceless bricklayer

Culminates in repetition

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enrobed in news

bearded hooded walking a rocky road

more than 400 expelled

Palestinians must return from anon

to the "security zone"

file march through yellowing newsprint

be filed

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Inside the Court of the Gentiles the Court of Women

the limit beyond which fence or grating surround

three gates to enter presentation location of the infant son

To give it to you that is your right your due
As beast to domestic animal My calling to raise you from women's court cockroach arena Forced labor, loin service: convicts you

pinned under body underworld

and above sky stage Bought performance

the watched bedecked in sword glory-cast under invisible cowl

of obedience and all its sequins

In the middle of the Court of the Priests in front of the sanctuary itself stood the Sacrificial Altar approached by a ramp

After it remained only as a remarkable memory Your stop here on earth errand to his ends

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stony and waterless moorland Judea

plateau on the road to nowhere New Year of the Trees

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Tu Bishvat
                  Pomegranates have been planted at desolate
Masada
                      truffles dug up
                                          Palestine flax
cultivation of figs
                                                                date
                      "dishonesty squeezes in between
syrup
selling and buying"

    Eccleisticus

exquisite and aristocratic girl and boy slaves
from a Transjordanian Sheikh
caravans of incense
A waterproof account
20 Whose . . .for] While yet the leaves] (whose leaves for)
guilt] [deed] (guilt)
                     Byron
Caesarea beside the Augustan Harbour
                                           twenty fathoms deep
As a vessel sailed, ten towers came into view
six colossal statues, three on either side
a vast honeycomb of underground passages
"one can trust a woman with a prutah or with an object worth a prutah"

    Hillel's disciples

an insignificant 'mite' or prutah Not insects, tiny money
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One with closed wings
had made frequent appearances pagan eagles soaring aloft on the facades of temples and coins of others and now ours
From his sickbed the youths who actually pushed the eagle from the roof down into court burnt alive
The high priest dreamt he was having sex disqualifying himself, according to Law, from officiating on that day
'the bowels would fall out of a murderous king of Judah' — Elijah
A gusto in forecasting to the warm sulphur baths or lowered into a tub of hot oil the King lost consciousness
last instructions to sister Salome and one last execution of another son
sepulchral monuments in Hellenistic taste body crowned and sceptered 24 mile procession bier of solid gold studded with jewels draped in purple escorted by surviving sons and relatives, the army, Thracians, Germans, Galatians next came 500 house slaves and freedmen, carrying spices
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[guilt] [deed] (guilt) and mine] and mine['s] — Byron

Already the aftermath gazing upon Majestic

Atonement

Halakhah walking Haggadah SHOWING FORTH

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Textron is not a country, not a company— a vast installation conglomerate a new kind of territory contracts instead of passports or treaties
Universal History in 144 books from earliest times to Herod's death virtually lost in disappearance

where Rulers have multiple lives in action, inscriptions, in the archival future "living for the record — Thus the urban jar..." — Mumford does open

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Not redemption from guilt but for continuing to live

To grief plug in grief ambient looking always to alight

Excess: the stocking on the face of nothing as it breaks night after night into the house

Half is what you always wanted, half what you always avoided

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The statue is lost; the base, with the right foot, was last seen in the mid-nineteenth century

Perhaps it too was originally double like most other gates

Probably this is correct and the two accounts are not a doublet

Aretas [Area] Aeneas in original Greek form proceeded to reign for 49 years and placed the heads of his sister-wives on his coins

Caesar: one who stops or puts to a stop

ceace obs form of cease

you were last seen say

that you are willing Say that you are chosen Say that you will serve

That he possess a thorn from the crown of thorns

. .

. .

locus lost arena inflatable all over the modern panorama century stacks local and portable

symptom: arrest. To save on this side rail divides bridge from bay commute or sky

CHARACTER handcuffed who is never enough and by definition already too much

Whose attempted escape Halted: was Convincing Sympathetic Reliable

a riddle untouched all its life

and the way enthusiasm wears on like an illness

Furiously doing CIVIL LIFE

Here at the end of plan's hope

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Dull Lines

bread again

oath land

Feather bed

BE FILED Into the bitten place

Winter Night Moat

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This, the world voluminous and always impinging on the unimaginable present

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Just like the father the two of you boxers in the wings getting ready to go on stage

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. .

Edifice, you will disappear in efface, and all the long winter nights spent in erase erase erase and erase

. .

. .

And the light shadow of scandal

The light leaf of forgery

the city's telegraph

promise unfulfilled, planned scarcity

"a nest for personality" - Mumford

monopoly on monologue or

A full cast

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. .

You too [were]

last seen

SAY

Ceace orbs

(final worlds. rage.)

[You were] last

seen say

STILL there

taking leave belief escapes motionless

And the ship opens to take that marooned cargo into days of the week

The endless frenetic floorplan of lives bought sold stolen bricklayers' processional

Now the informant calls

CREATURE to CAPTOR

He said as much but less

is necessary Beloved

through the many gates

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On 7 July 1969, 27 bodies of men, women and children were buried by the Israeli army with full military honors as martyrs [and I write this on 7 July 1993]

Following their glands into oblivion

As said these figures received

—Especially in the development of *Passages* I have workt with silences--with caesuras as definite parts of the articulation... with intervals of silence in the measures between stanzas...

The patterns realized are set; but the tempos go back to the body they come from in each reading.

...and yet belong to...a Sentence beyond the work. The built

- Duncan, "Some Notes on Notation," Groundwork, Before the War

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FALLOUT

Heliopolis organized Arabs under the city of the sun

the name is preserved in the drained Lake Huleh

from the breezy, fragrant woods, orchards, vineyards and grain lands of Gilead to the blasted, stony steps of Moab

Josephus knew site's promise conquered nature desperate need for port facilities Design and design to the God's 100th degree

What actor can perform at his best in an empty house?

Mumford

the ruins of the Temple There is "another atonement as effective as this — acts of loving kindnesses." — said Johanan ben Zakkai, student of Hillel and Shammai

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