## **Big Blue**

The sky is ocean blue

Because everything is

Repeatable in the way

It stacks together.

Birds swim throughout

The painting, animated

Watercolours, the crane

Squawks and pecks at

The surface and the hawk

Looms in the deepest of

Trenches waiting for some

Mistakes, which are also a

Constant.

Observing the plumes of

Jet condensation: perverse

Water-skis skimming soft

Clouds of water light and

Flecks of skin carried up

In the evaporation, slowing

Process weighed down by

The souls of dead cells.

Earth-bound we reside in a

Limbo, explaining the quest

For highs and lows.

#### **Physics**

As a set of rules is itself our Greatest limitation. When we Walked from sea to sand did The expanse above us look Like the past?

Jellyfish in the sky seems Like a stellar performance To end with. Picture them Stinging their own skin And lifting up into the air Like hot balloons with a Soft fire crackling beneath.

Does it seem beautiful? Or Is every layer but sediment Building outward to surface? Purgatory is itself a process Of dead bodies leaning up To heaven to sniff the salts Of fourteen dimensions and The tower of Babel itself is Our best answer and greatest Failing. Language is layers of Crushed bones, rocks, dreams And time itself guides and is Subject to this passage.

In between heavens is

Exception, where apes

And lizards and insects

Work and toil for ever

Trying, in dissatisfaction,

To speak as one, to reach up,

To dive down far below to the

Realms beneath where our

Old dreams have long since

Died.

# Height

The law of acceleration,

As it is seen

Consists of combustion

And hot oil

Painful synergy, us and

Mechanism

Borne of the same core

Electronics

Metaphor is bringing over

And across;

Ford-ian guzzlers cruising

Solar roads.

But miniature explosions

Give way to

Minor fizzling inside the

Mind, guts

The fjord fusion, a renewal

Meeting loss

The car drives on sun pads

Until empty

The stellar sea waving in

The pistons

The gunpowder ebbing and,

## Alight and lit

It barrels on through the cartilage

Breaking bones, shattering nose.

And the barrier we cross between

Waste and want is not a minor

Burst, Fermi talks; wheels turn

And we meet the match—even the

Images we have speak of fire—and

The future is on the other side of

The wall, cold and calm like snow

Falling...which melts beneath the

Treads of boots and petrol fumes,

But the optimistic claim the divide between cliffs and water, fjords, flumes, depends on your vantage,

By boat I can see the

Rocky heights,

By cliff I see nothing but water,

Barring.

From sky I fly away, wings exploding the air beneath them.

## **Judgment**

Lost my last tenner to that Netflix Tax, cleaning beans and rice up Off a half-washed plate putting Shit off.

In 2016 Bon Iver announced (again)

The coming of the machines and

Hardly anyone heard.

Time, as

He howls, rakes up fields of

Dying lillies. He plays no games

And they drink, my mind and he Like pub mates in some gold-hue Daylight washed joint with those Sun-washed glasses.

The waitress brings us coffees, cigarettes, and a pack of cards. She smiles.

#### On Being

How do you even manage to be? When everything else is Ugly, stupid, meaningless you win the war back for Beauty

I chisel you into the walls of memory palaces I've yet to Create, where nostalgia and prophesy extend out in para-Bolas and misty pentacles, scribbles in notepads from The whole world over we've culled the papers from the Mad libraries, the fox went to find the Vulgate and found Buddha on the floor drunk with wisdom and wearing Dissatisfaction like a rose lapel with alms strewn in A circle to keep out the hierophants, blasphemes. I made a graph of time itself and the swooping arcs bled Into a razor sharp arrow its shaft is the body and its tip Is the poison of knowledge, Cain to Wisdom's Abel, Cut in half with reason but made whole in the figure Mystified by your wonderful,

Wondrous summer dress.

#### DIY

Do it all yourself

Roll your smokes

In your hands and

Make a fist with

The leftover Leaves

Inside

Tie your shoes so

Your fingers feel

The blood simmer

Seethe or shake.

Oxtail ladles; sunday

soup.

Brew your beer at

Home where you

Keep things free

From tax and the

Frosty mugs machine

Washed.

Do it yourself, your

Dishes and chores,

Before your mind

Leaks away from

Inside itself and

Toasts in the mid-

Night fed moon's

Shivering whip

Raps, cracks each of

Your blessed knuckles

Then nothing is

Ever done again.