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crippled symmetry (morton feldman performed by s.e.m. ensemble@new york studio school 4/3/05)
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1. pipes straight-arced mesh of gold/afloodstars this is why crippled the leg always tries to rectify itself verify tolerance / total spin cluster / why do you melt of the sheen a double-backed diamond enamored of itself high in the low-tones grappling w/ the whole range of whiteness? why so many bare & pockmarked walls in a structure so filled with its own knowledge purpled pomped mallets creased blue curtains exposing the fluted pale lowbreathing carrier of greenglassed arpeggios what is wrong w/ this picture is there is no picture but what is wrong with blank space repeating itself? is blank space truly blank as blank is? why is there maiden transfixed when there are no maidens left to transfix? was this lip a crossed/out patchwork a so lid tightly a jar of genocide's attempt to corrupt itself? it self always @ the fore of my self your self by self by self one's & left everyone else be damned this nagging notated pang. hands that drew the once blue silence now emptied into emptiness. but what is so bad about blank space? what is blank? why are these pocked & primed bare walls considered bare? what is empty or full? what does filled with emptiness mean? Longing? patches & spots of color on the earth brown floor a spot of red & here a spill of animal yellow&orange like there i can swim thru the hole in the broken brick gnaw thru the metal's facade what there is is more of the same

& more of the same is what there is

a crack in the quietude a sneeze a cough a rustle a rumble a low driven mimic a crumble of what-is-where-from & the crippling ringing of *LIFE*

but different

an o.k. survival kit

peek into space thru doorless doorway sky itself is the skylight look around see streaks of pale blue on earth-colored floor semi-circles of off colored creams pull back hit your forehead with your palm quietly scream OH NO loudly inside your head wash your hands of the whole affair as your stomach begins to rumble like a coming quake drink turpentine glance at yourself in the bathroom mirror smile fleetingly walk into a stall sit on the bowl & wait

a mesh of starlike petals unlock themselves from their grid......

nothing left to follow.

piano lays out 3. c (drops off the quantum) 12 17 30 24/ 30 36 54 (?) working in *8's scale of linearities re mi fa circular single note clusters forced to ignore 26/26/22/36// or 42 nothing matters 48/28 mathematics reg /// 4 / 4 / 8 10 6 18 24 60 stered < fence barelegged belch boo tonicity htdtAfbnmkxysu5ereNB VC567*)(*(* &% intently listen

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water creatures

kissing even the sweat lest we forget we are come from water creatures still asiding ans le terre it's about gain & loss the way calligraphy relays a displays message repeats a hooping jump a stone skipping along the surface I a flesh & stone & cloth it is like getting squeezing lacing the lining dry laundering cleansing altering the hairline the bark of the chicken hawk the limitless returns fresh-tailed buzzers water creatures it is licking gleaners leaners shut! chewing swallowing even the sand that pastes our lips what planet is this? how do we reference ourselves? where is this point of no return? pared down fragments..... how is it we are walking so flatly on this round world? empty sphere? unloading . . this is a planet of hurricanes a time of decency & descent when only the less than holy will survive walking this wet world filled w/thirst clear world

blue world brilliant decoy.

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c.b. 1

cour/core mad cold rope had the chills the other morning changed notes floating within its valued veil

i am amidst a wilted cry of all ages a million prayers of dreaded dirt inside the outher cared for like a book

i live like any other particle within moments lost no matter how concrete I be no matter found & named

bottled up jailed by freedom sentenced to life manacled to the dopey tide blind sighted ruined & filled w/holes

a thirsty moving river a sad quilted emptiness trapped w/in a manual of **HOW TO** trapped w/in the **NOW**

c.b.2

still hand pickled / or creamed pinkish hand miserably mistaken for a fish soaring w/in fluids of ending oceans

said helpful rather (sores) than difficult inflicted breaths long hot it is about water

the creature that water is

c.b.3

long term memories begin anew within the stream where field resides co(m)ma ~ murderer slibs closed glorious pungent oil spills muffled by craters rich in torture & racso lies pressed i dent & drown by.......

c.b.4

all left a frozen twaddle pelican sealed in its own ice lit & built up like a wall of wetness arms pickled w/what the laborer does w/ his labor how important his tools must be

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plumbing pipes drain toilet stopped up

Life and What Comes After (for Paul Eluard) - steve dalachinsky

it seems
there is only
the triumph of the flesh
the sucking of the marrow
the green
the brown
the light
& the deep dark sky
filled with constellations
the conservation of sighs
wordless fatigue
& pine needles
consternation
a balding head
the red

me shave close skin blotch lonely deer clearing crippled you my friend a gun

birdbluesky
windsweptpetite
fall surrounding us
we crush fruit
& crack their pits
between our
teeth
beneath our feet
the souls of the nobody's
of the animal dream

we split logs smiles falling like bark i a handle

you a blade

breathlight
we hang
empty cisterns
on ashen branches
feel the cold
& fog the glass
& drop
slowly drop
& stamp the ground
& rub our palms
& drink our teas
& settle,
no,
huddle beside the fire
to study the baboon's heart.