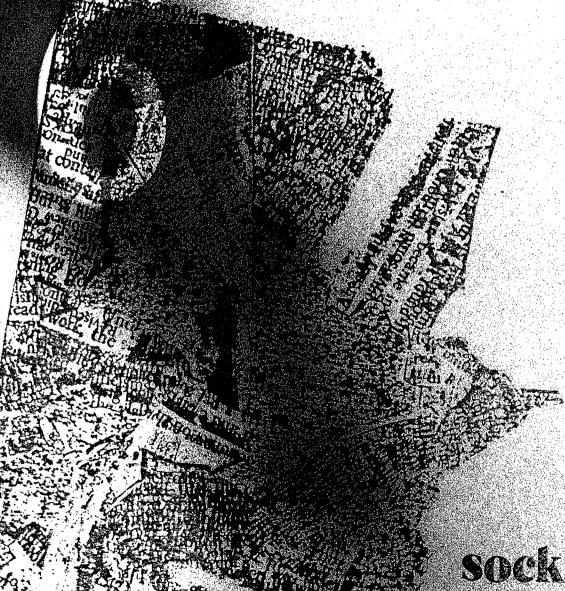
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SOCKLESS IN SANDALS

It seems appropriate that Second Aeon which hasn't produced so much as a broadsheet for a decade should move into print again with a volume by Bob Cobbing, its long term supporter and mentor. In the magazine's active period, roughly between 1967 and 1975, Bob Cobbing was a regular contributor. Issue 16/7 was devoted to him, featuring Eric Mottram's extended appraisal "A Prosthetics of Poetry - the art of Bob Cobbing" together with a large number of texts, poems and photographs. In addition, Cobbing cropped up as participant in many special Second Aeon publications - For Jack Kerouac (1970), Found Poems (1972), Typewriter Poems (1972), and had one of his own, Songsignals, in 1973.

During the 60s and 70s, Cobbing's output was prodigious. He was published by a plethora of presses, notably Ceolfrith with Bob Cobbing and Writers Forum (1974) and Canada's Coach House Press with bill jubobe (1976). Writers Forum, his own publishing operation, kept up a stream of editions. These were in all forms, from postcards to pamphlets, cassette tapes to foldout books. By the late 70s, he felt the need to collect and distil, much of his earlier material having gone out of print. Typically he decided that this would be best accomplished in 21 separate volumes, each to be put out by a different press. Sockless in Sandals from Second Aeon is Volume 6. The others, so far, are:

Volume 1 Cygnet Ring (Tapocketa, 1977)

Volume 2 ABC/Wan Do Tree (El Uel Uel U, 1978)

Volume 3 A Peal in Air (anonbeyondgrOnkontaktewild, Toronto, 1978)

Volume 4 Kollekted Kris Kringle (Anarcho, 1979)

Volume 5 Girlie Poems (Good Elf, 1984)

Volume 7 Vowels and Consequences (Galloping Dog, 1985)

Volume 8 Astound and Risible (forthcoming from Inkblot, Oakland California, 1986)

These will eventually be followed by Bob Cobbing's collected works on tape.

Bob Cobbing is the archetypal British experimenter, an enthusiast for the alternative, left-handed and non-traditional in most things. His reputation is international and he is one of the few poets in Britain to make his living entirely from his poetry. His work is largely located in the field of sound-text composition, a form with its roots, as Cobbing is often at pains to point out, centuries in the past. Sockless in Sandals, by contrast, is modernist. It consists mostly of found pieces in the Twentieth Century tradition of Marcel Duchamp who was the first to change the context in which we perceive objects in order to make them art. Cobbing's found poems are textural - they come from newspapers, graffiti, books, leaflets, overheard conversations, sninnets from radio and tv. They are presented either Duchamp-like as they are, or transformed by permutations or other means into completely new works. Cobbing is an excavator - he digs up the fragment he wants and if it doesn't stand on its own he forges it into something else.

Many of the pieces come out as lists, reflecting a contemporary obsession with the organising of information. Cobbing uses these as starting points for his endlessly evolving vocal works. He is after all essentially a voice, a *sound* poet. Whatever else he might do with his texts, in the end he has to sing them out.

When we were in *The Grosvenor* discussing this book, then untitled, and Bob sitting there appropriately sockless, he remarked that when it came down to it he could make sound out of anything. Two solicitors arguing about contract law stopped to listen. "I could read this table, interpret the blemishes, the woodgrain, even these spills of beer." He made a sweeping gesture with his hand and rose. For a moment we all thought he was going to perform there and then, the solicitors rearranged their seats, but he was only getting up to buy another beer. Bob Cobbing's readings are no longer gratuitous, but that's the price of professionalism. If you want to hear him - and if *Sockless in Sandals* appeals to you at all then you should - you'll have to attend his performances, an essential aspect of Twentieth Century verse.

Peter Finch

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this is a nonsense line to test the straightness

IF HE KNEW WHAT HE WAS DOING, HE WOULD DO IT BETTER!

Sockless in sandals, gibbering his wares in unintelligible shrieks and hisses, a 'poet' merely disrupts the solid, sensible business of the night.

the people hear gibberish; Poets! how can nothing be said with all that noise?

For your summer party cultural cabaret, rent-a-poet from as little as £30 through the Poetry Society, 21 Earl's Court Square, S W 5 But watch out for Sound poets - their creakings and groanings tend to disquiet

Police left holding bag in purse-snatching ploy

Somebody must have smelled a rat and a police ploy to trap purse snatchers failed to catch a thief. Police specialist Paula Brand said during the holiday season she wore an old worn coat with a bandana around her head and carried a cane and an old purse that she held away from her body. the purse was a rat whose assignment was to pop up when the purse snatcher opened the purse. The policewoman said she continually moved the purse to keep the rat from gnawing through it, However, the rat had to be let go when no one took the bait, or the purse. Sgt. Tim Jones, field commander of the antirobbery squad assembled for the holiday season admitted the disguised policewoman "may have been too ugly" to attract muggers or purse snatchers.

In Taiwan, a young man wrote over 700 letters to a girl trying to persuade her to become his wife. At the end of two years, his labours bore fruit - she married the postman who'd delivered the daily epistles.

Fifteen months ago, Gil
Singh paid almost
£500 for his
micro-computer from BL, yet
it still has not turned up.
"I'm afraid it's true that Mr. Singh
has been waiting all this time,"
says Peter Goater, managing director,
"the trouble is that
BL Marketing had a
very unsophisticated computersystem itself,
and that computer kept
getting Mr. Singh's computer
order muddled up."

I am a cripple,
I am a nightnurse in an asylum,
Ninety-two,
In prison,
Aged six,
Writing with my toes only.
I have been writing for many years,
This is my first poem.

The logic is simple.

A nuclear holocaust

Does little picking and choosing.

The right goes with the left.

The Americans with the Soviets.

Blacks, whites, bugs, giraffes,

Buicks and rhododendrons.

Poof:

We are getting it folks.

One does not win a nuclear war.

So, what's the sense?

The competition is gone,

So let's co-operate.

It's what's left,

The alternative.

Scientific research
has shown that
only one living creature
is equipped to survive
a nuclear holocaust the cockroach.

Expert systems - a basis of
"knowledge":

The advantage of using expert systems - you do not have to know what you are looking for. This research will help develop a "corporate wisdom machine", making extensive use of "default reasoning", otherwise known as common-sense; deducing answers on the basis of probability or "fuzzy logic". A diagnosis might read: "It's 90% likely you've got meningitis, but 10% possible you've got a bad dose of flu". Sclerosis of the liver, when occurring in combination with bronchitis, is a condition governed by a whole new set of rules. Apparently simple questions, like "Are you married?", do not necessarily have straightforward answers. If you are co-habiting, this might count but, if your partner works on an oil-rig and you meet only one in three months, it might not.

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WED ON MARGIN
GROWN IN MEAD
'MONG RAIN DEW

ME GRAND WINO DRAG MINE OWN WEAN GRIM DON AMEND GIN ROW

RAW GEM NOD-IN
DROWN IN A GEM
DONE WARMING
MORE DAWNING

WINGED ROMAN
WORMING DANE
O GERMAN WIND
ROME DAWNING

GNOME IN DRAW MOW IN GARDEN RAW GNOME DIN MOW IN DANGER EDWIN MORGAN

AM WONDERING
NOW DREAMING
WORD MEANING
WANDERING 'OM'

I RANG ME DOWN
I NAMED WRONG
WOAD-GERM INN
IN WAND OR GEM

GRIND? WE MOAN
MIND ON WAGER
DROWN IN GAME
ENDOW MARGIN

GO, WAN MINDER
WED OR NAMING
DREAM ON WING
O NEW MAD GRIN

INNER DOG - WAM!

AM WINNER DOG

I GNAWED MORN

O GRIN AND MEW

MEN WORD GAIN
MAIN WORD GEN
DO WRING NAME
WORD-GAME INN
MEAN WORD-GIN:

DROME AWNING
WARNING DOME
GNAWED ON RIM
MODERN WIGAN

GO, MAD WINNER
WE GIRD NO MAN
WIN MAD NEGRO
MIND WAN OGRE

RINGED WOMAN
GRIN DAMN WOE
O MENDING WAR
WRONG MAIDEN

A MINNOW DREG
DRAGON MEWIN'
ORANG, WIND ME
'N' WEIRD MANGO

WOMEN IN DRAG

MEN IN WAR - GOD!

DINGER WOMAN

MEN WIND AGRO

THE JACK POEM

JACK-IN-A-BOX JACK SPRATT JACK SPANIARD JACKDAW JACKAROO JACKASS JACK-O-LANTERN JACK SHARK JACKEY A JACK AT A PINCH UNION JACK JACK-A-DANDY JACKPOT JACK LAMP ROASTING JACK

JACK KNIFE JACK SNIPE JACK-IN-THE-GREEN JACK LINE JACK FISH JACK-BY-THE-HEDGE JACK STAFF JACK FRUIT JACK PLANE JACK OAK JACK-A-LENT JACK SCREW JACKANAPES JACK-IN-THE-BUSH JACK TAR

JACK JOHNSON JACK OF LEGS JACK SALMON EVERY MAN JACK OF THEM JACKBOOT JACK-IN-THE-PULPIT JACK CHAIN JACKBOY JACK PUDDING JACK RABBIT JACK STRAW JACKET JACKMAN JACKEEN BOTTLE-JACK

JACK UP JACKIE HOWE JACK RAFTER JACK DUSTY JACK OF NEWBURY BEFORE YOU CAN SAY JACK ROBINSON JACK THE RIPPER JACK AND JILL ICE JACK JACK FROST JACK KETCH JACK OF ALL TRADES JACK BRAG

CHEAP JACK COUSIN JACK JACK ADAMS JACK AMEND-ALL SMOKE JACK JACK AND THE BEANSTALK JACK THE GIANT KILLER JACK-IN-THE-BASKET JACK HORNER YELLOW JACK JACK AMONG THE MAIDS JACK O'THE BOWL

JACK THE PAINTER JACK OF DOVER JACK OF BOTH SIDES JACK-SINKER

JACK TIMBERS BOOT-JACK JACK-BLOCK JACK RICE JACK IN OFFICE

JACK OUT OF OFFICE JACK-IN-THE-CELLAR JACK DRUM'S ENTERTAINMENT

JACKETING POOR JACK JACK SAUCE JACKSTRAWS JACK ENGINE
JACK-SNIP JACK-ROLL JACK-FRAME JACK'S AS GOOD AS HIS MASTER
JACK RAT JACK POLICY A GOOD JACK MAKES A GOOD JILL LUMBERJACK

PULL UP THE LADDER JACK JUMPING JACK STEEPLEJACK JACK-LADDER HIJACK JACK-ARCH JACK-CURLEW JACK MERLIN JACKDAW OF RHEIMS JACK CROW JACKSTAY JACK-PIN JACKAL JACK-GO-TO-BED-AT-NOON

JACK-A-DREAMS JACK-AT-THE-HEDGE JACK-O'-THE-CLOCK JACK OF CARDS JACK BAKER JACK FOX JACK SYSTEM JACK HARE JACK-IN-A-BOTTLE JACK RIB JACKSTONES JACK-BACK WHISKY JACK I'M ALL RIGHT JACK

THE TOM POEMS

Minimally, of course, -er attachment must not alter the lexical category of the base in order to qualify as inflexional. In English, -er attaches to forms that function both adjectivally and adverbally and preserve the lexical category:

Tom dresses neat

Tom dresses neater

Tom is a neat dresser

Tom dresses neatest of them all

Tom is a clever man

Tom thinks cleverly

Tom is the cleverer man

Tom thinks more cleverly than them all

Tom runs fast
The fast running man
The good man runs well
The better man runs better
Tom is the fastest runner of them all

Rules SV2 to SV5 do describe alternations, however, and these are exemplified:

ride work make say

make say rule hunger

rule hunger man book

man book ride work

ride work make say The key argument for the lexicalist hypothesis is based on the observation that derived syntactic structures do not nominalise:

Tom has all the options

Tom is easy to please

Tom is certain to win the prize

Tom amused the children with his stories

Tom is a skilful accomplisher

Tom is enticed within the bar

Tom is not the most sober of us

Tom amused the whole bar with his tales

Tom has no options

Tom is most in difficulty

Tom is manifestly uncertain

Tom has nothing whatsoever to say for himself

Those compounds which are not semantically predictable are 'frozen' or 'lexicalised' and their meanings are not derivable by principles of meaning-formation but are simply listed in the lexicon. That is, the meanings are listed as properties of the complete lexical entry:

loud-mouth is not a mouth red-coat is not a coat white-cap is not a cap cotton-tail is not a tail turtle-neck is not a neck pick-pocket is not a pocket kill-joy is not a joy cut-throat is not a throat

Now consider what happens when zero-derived verb 'suds' is inflected for the third person singular. Ordinarily, of course, this ending is 's'. However, just in the case of 'suds', it appears to be zero:

Tom suds up his hair each morning

Tom each morning suds his hair

He suds his hair with the new shampoo

Watching the suds' colourful bubbles
Tom is sudorous
Tom is sudorific

The extent to which syllable-structure plays a crucial role in determining the choice between 'ae' and 'E' is dramatically revealed by considering post-vocalic consonants other than 'n' or 'm':

tab	sad	gag	•				
sap	sat	sack					
		•					
Sabbath	radish	Agatha					
rapid	satire	racket					
		•	•				
salve	jazz						
laugh	bath	crass	mash				
avid	rather	Lazarus	azure				
raffle	Athens	acid	passion				
badge	Madge	batch	catch				
gadget	pageant	hatchet	satchel				
but							
ham	Sam						
hand	fan	rang	sang				
Pamela	cameo	annex	panacea				
man	mandible	ram	tan				
hammer	Janice	manage	panic				

A uniform, and therefore highly-valued, explanation exists for the ungrammaticality of such examples, namely, that the form 'being' is sub-categorically restricted to not taking '-ing' complements:

Being drinking beer all day
Tom is nearly falling over
Being drinking beer all day
Tom is much the worse for wear
Being drinking beer all day
Tom is truly weak as water
Being drinking beer all day
Tom is slowly going under
Being drinking beer all day
Tom is... Tom is... Tom

In the first two examples, the suffixes are derivational, in the latter two inflectional. In neither case does the first suffix undergo 'shwa' deletion, despite satisfying the phonological requirements of rule:

paint Holland red

like a painter, picturesque female, native of Holland redder, received

painted female

Dutch courage

a readier reception
relieved

While there may be idiosyncratic exceptions to a rule, presumably marked with a 'minus-rule feature', the case of a form which idiosyncratically must undergo a rule is quite a different matter:

Tom is poor

Tom is needy

Tom is necessary

Tom is foolish

Tom is a refugee

Tom is understanding

Tom has a little house

Tom has books

Tom speaks volumes

Rgondabindr Kavva o Anybec atisere anaana Darya Gitikst Shilpa Ert Bgong Ehar Dadmavran uden Oi Chitta gangra Urdaninversiarachy Satibr story Poe Chavesh His hityerityer ar Dawtry Bire witali Aka Ane Ecati Lenga teratuh Sandhy aca Abdul Univaphacca Dac Ekekai says iteratur Basan vrozny Ben on gali Itan stuta darsityaro on Shah Boi Gha dhusaty ofk Sace shaakita azrung Them Chitta Uccon andook Hoisanu Ahllah Buse Gmed Atsica gongarag Homar ora at Pacsdum accarer Viraadhu Daousecca Atidiner Slain Masudan engana liteani shu Bangder Annkavitgla la Sabusango habdona Gishi avvain Beri ewetry prakanagra-San podi Modogaerns Lalashan Do Wordslishing Ad pubHouse ik Gmacca Pubtar kathions Boati y Daccaun licat Kavina Chitta ganath Ho madhus Dousseacca udan nashayad wabiki Kariti blishi ara icca Cashga Faranji Benystali rika Oenlde skatadh Beng Dacca Acadoli Aemy atioreci Bodh Angs Ipaka ons ans Igb Traand nslatioaler kangali slalitians poetical anawithems vita Beaptat a cralysis arailed aphoiogr nd a det Igba Kar O offi slu

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A-NAN or NAN. A request that what was last said may be repeated, as not having been distinctly heard.

BAT. A smart, sudden blow BOCK. A thump BOTCH. An awkward, unskilful workman BOGHAL. A bungler, a clumsy, awkward CHECH. The name by which a cow is addressed when at a distance CHUCKEY. The call by which hens are convoked. CHOP. A young lad COL-POGH. A young boy or girl not grown to full size CLICK. A slender hook made of wire CLIP. Synonymous with the foregoing CRANKIE. A person, especially a young person, who is diminutive in size, but crafty, cunning and artful CROWL. To stunt anything in its growth A dwarf of any kind DAUNDER. To walk about slowly and idly; to saunter DOITRE or DOITHER. To move about slowly and stupidly DRAWKEY. Rainy DROOK-IT. Completely drenched with wet DRIFFLE. Drizzle; to rain gently DRAM-MOCK. ! As wet as drammock' means very wet FUZZHUNLESS. Having little specific gravity; nearly synonymous with FOZEY FOZEY. Light, spongy, soft; having little solidity; elastic, easily compressible GLABBER. To talk in a hurried, inarticulate manner, to prate without meaning GLAG, Fluent in speech' GAULDER. A loud shout or call; an angry exclamation GOWL. A howl; a loud and bitter cry GRIPE. The trench of a ditch fence GROOP. The drain in a cowhouse into which the dung falls HATE. Same as HAPORIH, which see HAPORTH. 'Not a Haporth!' Not anything HERRIKIN. A hurricane of wind; a fit of HERRIM-SKERRIM. A person who is either rash, thoughtless, boisterous or furious HOGHAL. To walk lazily; to drag the feet HERPLE. To walk in a slow, crippled manner HUNKER. To squat on the hams. 'Sitting on your hunkers' is to sit in a squatting position HURKLE. To sit idle when there is work to

be done; to sit close to the fire

A-NAN AN' NAN

BAT AN' BOCK BOTCH AN' BOGHAL CHEGH AN' CHUCKEY CHOP AN' COL-POGH CLICK AN' CLIP CRANKIE AN' CROWL DAUNDER AN' DOITHER DRAWKEY AN' DROOK-IT DRIFFLE AN' DRAMMOCK FUZZHUNLESS AN' FOZEY GLABBER AN' GLAG GAULDER AN' GOWL GRIPE AN' GROOP HATE AN' HAPORTH HERRIKIN AN'

HERRIM-SKERRIM
HOGHAL AN' HERPLE
HUNKER AN' HURKLE

JARBLES. Loose, dangling tatters JUGGANS. Broken pieces, fragments KESH. A large square basket in which turf are drawn in a car KIMLIN. A small tub LASH. A large quantity; a great number (lashins and lavins) LEVET. Same as LANT LANT or LANTY. A violent and bitter scold; to scold or abuse LICK and a LICKEN. Same as 'Leather' and a 'Leatherin' LEATHER. To beat severely LOODER. Unmerciful beating LUNDTHER. A stunning blow MELDER. The quantity of meal which is ground at one time. A large quantity of MOIÈTY. A part, share or dividend which is so small as to be merely nominal NURLED. Stunted in growth NIP. A very small bit OART. To cull; to turn over and over OX-TER-COG. To put aside or conceal for one's Own use, especially if the right of possession be questionable PICK. A very small bit, a scrap POCHAL. A small quantity POWER. A great number; a large quantity PINK-ER or PINNER. Something that is superlatively large or good PROD. A sharp-pointed instrument; a goad; a slight wound. To goad; to wound slightly PRODDLE or PROGLE. To probe; to poke QUARE. A word of rather uncertain signification placed before almost every adjective with the conjunction AND interposed, as:-'Quare and big', 'Quare and long' QUIM. adj. Affectedly nice; moving with ease and precision; prim REE-BO. A giddy, thoughtless round of folly; a fit of noisy, turbulent mirth RISE. A piece of merriment. To 'take a rise out of one' is to excite merriment at his expense. SCRABBY. Something which is remarkably small of its kind SCRADYAN. Something that is small and worthless SCRUNTY. A small worthless fruit; a dwarfish animal SMITE. The smallest scrap; an atom SILLY. Weak or feeble in mind or body; whether naturally, or rendered so by disease SHERPET. Weak, feeble, pale, emaciated, also tasteless, insipid; wanting strength or flavour SLEEK-IT. Sleek, sly SKIM-PET. Not ample, not sufficiently large, stinted

JARRIES AN' JUGGANS KESH AN' KIMIIN LASHINS AN' LAVINS LEVET AN' LANT LICKEN AN' LEATHERIN LOODER AN' LUNDTHER MELDER AN' MOIETY NIPPED NURLED AN' 0 X - T E R - C O G OART AN' PICK AN' POGHAL POWER AN' PINK-ER PROD AN' PROGLE QUARE AN' QUIM REE-BO AN' RISE SCRABBY AN' SCRADYAN SCRUNTY AN' SMITE SILLY AN' SHERPET SLEEK-IT AN' SKIM-PET

SLOAMY. Indolent, inactive SWER. Unwilling, reluctant SMOLLOCK. A smart fillip with the finger; a blow on the head with the knuckles SKELP. A slap with the palm of the hand SMURR. A small rain SPIN-DRIFT. A small rain driven with the wind SNACK-DRAWER. A crafty. deceitful person SNAFFLE. A creeping, insidious rascal; a low petty villain STEEVAN. A full meal SWANKIN. Same as STEEVAN SWATHER. To dabble or splash in water; to flounce through water SCUDDLE. To dabble in water; to wash clothes to waste time in useless cooking TACK. A peculiar, generally disagreeable taste A long time spent in one place of employment TAJERSOME. Tedious TAM-MOCK. A tuft of grass, rushes, etc; a small hillock, rising a few inches above the ordinary level of the ground, or above the surface of water TEATHENS. Those tufts of luxuriant grass which, in pasture ground, spring up where dung has been dropped VAST. This word is used for a great quantity, number or extent. As a 'vast' of money, of cattle, of and, etc. VANQUISH. To disappear suddenly, to vanish WHEEZLE. To wheeze WHINDGE. To whine; to whimper; to cry in low plaintiff murmurs WIZZEN. To dry up; to shrivel; injured by drying; shrivelled; sapless WON. Completely dried YELLACH. A violent, rude laugh; to laugh YAAP. This word resembles the peculiar note of some young fowls. It also signifies to prate unceasingly

SLOAMY AN' SWER SMOLLOCK AN' SKELP SMURR AN' SPIN-DRIFT SNACK-DRAWER AN' SNAFFLE STEEVAN AN' SWANKIN SWATHER AN' SCUDDLE TACK AN' TAJERSOME TAM-MOCK AN' TEATHENS VAST AN' VANQUISH WHEEZE AN' WHINDGE WIZZEN AN' WON

YELLAGH AN' YAAP

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STAY - Lem

shweh - yih - stel

p'eht'st

'tsuhk - SUHK - eht

SHEE - aht'l

shway - EHK - oh.ih.la SHOOL - shep - 'tla YOOK - uht SHWAT - eh - kuhm

sluth - yay - ehk - way - yihl

SLAH - kuht

YAY -ehk - way -ihl

SKAH - kuht

tiy - wet - AHL - ehm shee - WEEL see - 00.TL - muhk SKAHK - wet'l

PEH - pa - hahl pih - pah - HAHM tem - UHQ

slem - OHQ

SPAL - eh - qaw.m

KAW

tem - UHQ

SPAY - 00

s'koh - kwa - KAWS

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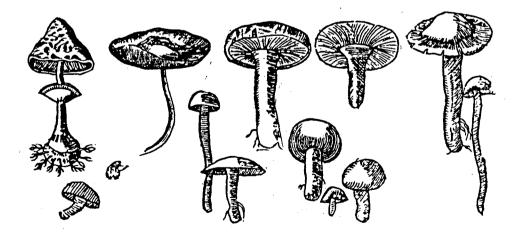
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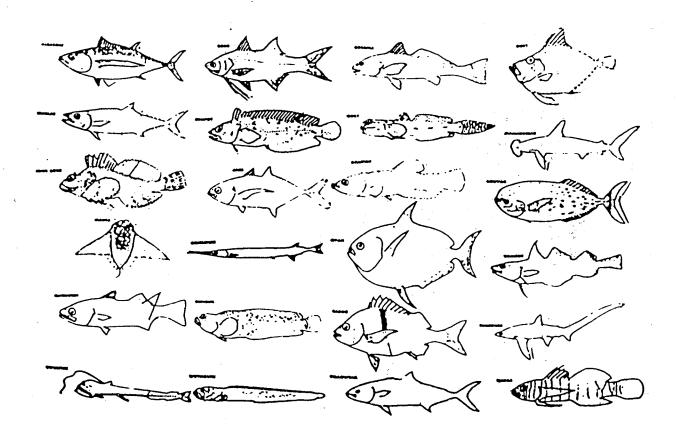
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alphabet of californian fishes

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escolar	finspot	goby	hammerhead
Irish lord	Jack	killifish	louvar
manta	needlefish	opah	pollock
queenfish	ronquil	sargo	thresher
viperfish	wrymouth	yellowtail	zebra



ANGELS CAMP

BERKELEY

CACHE CREEK

DANTES VIEW

EUREKA

FORT ROSS

GLENDORA

HOLLYWOOD

IAQUA

JOLON

KLAMATH RIVER

LAKE TAHOE

MILL VALLEY

NOJOQUI

ORINDA

PALOS VERDES

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ENARGITE ORTHORHOMBIC

GRATONITE HEXAGONAL

BOURNUNITE ORTHORHOMBIC

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BOULANGERITE MONOCLINIC

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FRANKEITE MONOCLINIC

FIZELITE ORTHORHOMBIC

JAMESONITE MONOCLINIC

RATHITE MONOCLINIC

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sun-burn	sunflower	sun-god
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sun-deck	sun-stone	mock sun
sun-down	sun-bird	day star
sun-dried	solar flare	sun-bright
sun-glasses	sun-struck	sundew
sun-spot	sunless	sun-screen
sunset	sunny-side	sun-shade
sun-stroke	sun-worshipper	sun-ray
sun-like	sun-tan	sun-baked
sun-helmet	solar system	corona
sun-proof	S O L	sun-light
sun-rise	Sunday best	helios
sunshine	sun-lamp	sun-crack
sun-burner	sun-bow	sun-flag
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The SUN sees all things and discovers all things

The SUN can be seen by nothing but its own light

The SUN is never the worse for shining on a dung-hill

The SUN Moon and Seven Stars are against us

Every light is not the SUN

No SUN without a shadow

Set forth the SUN with a candle

It melts like butter before the SUN

Only the Eagle can gaze at the SUN

Even the SUN has its spots

Out of God's blessing into the warm SUN More worship the rising than the setting SUN Men shut their doors against the setting SUN

The SUN has set, no night has followed

When the SUN rises disease will abate

Where the SUN enters the doctor does not

Happy is the bride the SUN shines on

SUNday's wooing draws to ruin

What is the good of a SUN-dial in the grave

A place in the SUN

Make hay while the SUN shines

The SUN does not shine on both sides of the hedge at once

The SUN may do its duty, though your Grapes are not ripe

They that walk much in the SUN will be tanned at last

He that gazes on the SUN will at last be blind

The higher the SUN the less our shadows are

Although the SUN shines, leave not thy cloak at home

Heaven cannot support two SUNs nor earth two masters

Moon's not seen when the SUN shines

In every country the SUN rises in the morning

City of the SUN

The SUN-flower State

The Empire on which the SUN never sets

The Southern Gate of the SUN

The SUN of Righteousness

BRIGHTER THAN A THOUSAND SUNS

A CLASSIFICATION OF DANISH RIDDLES WITH UNEXPECTED SOLUTIONS

- A differences and likeness, divided into:-
 - 1. differences
 - 2. likeness
- B of a superlative character; with the sub-groups:-
 - 1. preferably have or be
 - 2. better and best
 - 3. most in degree or number
- C distorted names, divided into:-
 - 1. sister will borrow dog
 - 2. sister, neighbouress will borrow gun
 - 3. brother, sister, neighbour, neighbouress will borrow rake or scythe
 - 4. she will borrow brush, dust-brush, plaster-brush, ring
 - 5. she will borrow loom, churn, wool-shears, comb
 - 6. she will have stubble raked, horses, sheep put out to grass
 - 7. she must mind the child
 - 8. the child must be nursed
 - 9. eel into pot; a bundle of fish into same
 - 10. dog, bread, sausage and bones
 - 11. girl and fox
- D the master of the house puts on his boots
- E the two-legged (man); divided into:-
 - 1. man on top of house shouts down to dog
 - 2. man on top of house shouts down to wife
 - 3. the milkmaid
 - 4. the bone
- F nobody
- G every/what; divided into:-
 - 1. every
 - · 2. what
- H divided:-
 - 1. alphabetically according to solution
 - 2. alphabetically according to catchword
- I includes:-
 - 1. veiled messages in general
 - 2 veiled messages between lovers
- J the name of the mistress
- K the name of the dog; divided into:-
 - 1. Charlemagne's dog
 - 2. shadow
 - 3. what
 - 4. now
 - 5. can you , now see , "ten"
 - 6. the maiden's dog
 - 7. miscellaneous

(it is tempting to think that if it won't fit into any of these categories if is not a Danish riddle with an unexpected solution)

LION LENIN LEONORA LAMB HEARTLESS RESTIVE RESOLUTE BEAT HABIT RABBLE APPLE PIZZA ROOT TOOTLE FLUORESCENT CRESCENT CAUSE BECAUSE BETRAYED MOON WAY WRY WRIGGLE RENDER LIGHT. OUT NECK CHEW TUDOR HOUSE LAW SUIT SUET STUART ROOM LESSILIKELY RAW MEAT MATE 0 N UP 0 V E R OTHERWISE WISDOM GOING FOREARMED TOOTHLESS TOOTH FORWARD FORSOOTH FEATHERWEIGHT FEVER LOOKING SEEKING SUMMARY S 0 FEW DEW DROP GLASS IG L A S T O N B U R Y BURIAL BRUTAL GLAZED CRAZED DEFIANT DEVIANT RAZOR DEFINITIVE DELETE LAZER TEACHER TREAT TREACHERY TREACLE TRUNCATE TREND TRESTLE NESTING STUNG FLING DONG LUMINOUS FLUNG LEERING LECHEROUS LUNCHEON LUCIFER LINK VOUCHER CUFF ROUGH WROUGHT IRON GATE CRATE GRATER GRATEFUL DEAD DEADENING DUNDERHEAD HEAD DRESS HUSTLE CRUST CRIMPING CRUMB CRUMBLE

SEE WATER LAKE FRUIT (LAKE) (L A K E) HILL SMALL HILL TRUCK BOAT TRAILER AIRPLANE COUNTRY HEALTH HEATH MILK BEER BREAD ICE ORANGE GROVE ORANGE SAND TRACK WHITE SAND TRUE SWEET AMAZO LORIDA IONEER AUTOMOBILE DUMP CYPRESS GARDENS ALL TRACKS-FAMILY LINES SEABOARD COAST LINE COTTON BELT REPTILE LAND WOOD CHIP JIFFY FOOD JUNK CARS SCHOCK CONTROL USED CARS MOTOR INN MOTORING WAG-A-BAG RUST GUARD FOR SALE WALDO OCALA WALLABY SNACKS CANDY BEER PURE ORANGE HONEY INDIAN RIVER FRUIT FEUDS RENDEZVOUS STATE DOCKS ALABAMA FELICITY PUBLIX SOUTHERN SERVES THE SOUTH

ALEVIN BARS CAUSAPSCAL COCKS DAMS ESTUARIES FALLS FEED FINGERLINGS GASPESIA GRILSE HENFISH ICELAND IRELAND GRIMSA JAW JUMP KYPES | CREPES CREEPS JAMS LEAP MAINE MARITIMES MOISIE MOYSE NEST NEWFOUNDLAND OCEAN OLFACTORY PENOBSCOT RAPIDS REDDS RESTING ROUCHE MARX SALMO SCOTLAND SENSES SLINKA SOLAR SPAWNS SMOLTS STAMINA TAIL TALL TRIBUTARIES TRIM TWEED DLE DEE Yesterdays Answer: DELICIOUS SYSEM LIDEY JAM JAW THYFE NAPOC JARRING GITHEY UPGATE JALLOP PENMAD ALVASS JUICE Todays Answer: RIGMAROLE SAMSA NEWT LIZARD . 0 LASER N CHAM Εl LEON ULE LIZZIE

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WITH BASIC SPEECH ME TRANSFER SOUNDS SERVICE CUSTOMER RIGHT FRUIT GROWERS EXPRESS LUMBER LUMBER LUMBER ENTER MILITARY TRAIL-SOUTHERN COMFORT VENETIAN MARBLE PRODUCTS TRACTS ACRE MOVE INTO-INCOHERENT ULTIMATELY TRIVIAL PROCESSING REALM OPERATIONS CONSCIOUS IMITATIVE OF ANARCHIC DESTRUCTIVE FORT ANCESTRY OF LAUDERDALE EXPERIMENTS DEERFIELD. BEACH WINTER HAVEN WILDWOOD SEE TAX BRING KISSIMMEE THANK YOU FOR WE YOU LOOK AGAIN RIDING WITH US → FORWARD TO SOUTHERN FAMILY LINES SYSTEM UNITED FEED SETTING INTO TRAINING CENTRAL GULF SERVING AGAIN

A Bean-Feast that Bore Fruit Trees Bring Good Cheer Bubbling Over

The Man with the Megaphone adds Spice to the Party
Boost for Builders
Monster Minster

Small Worldliness

Gold in Physical Demand

Scientist Tells Rape Trial of Blood on Shoes

The Fading Family

People who are Swept under the Carpet

Where have all the Babies Gone ?

England on Guard, Off Key
Winning is only Half the Battle
We shall Persevere says the Patriot in Black

Jets inflict double blow on Fleet
Hunt for Black-Market Exocets
Hospital Ship in Danger of Being Hit

Seaman's Church Pays its Homage
Queen's Prayers
Captain's Awful Decision
Navy is able to Absorb Losses

Blue Chip
A Question of Birth
Chum's Chorus

Sinking Funds
Loan Quagmire
Rash Rain
Frost in May

Language Barrier
Reforms to Curb French Mayors
E E C Menaces German Beer

Russian Murder in the Mountains
Rome Bomb
West Coast Fevers

Cholera Wanes in South Africa
Poland is facing Severe Hardship
Disabled Concern
Dead after Hospital's 'NO'

Life Sentence in a Concrete Coffin Flying High with Room at the Front Risks and Rewards of an Early Retirement

> A Seize-Up of Evidence Total Engagement Pope's Visit now Vital

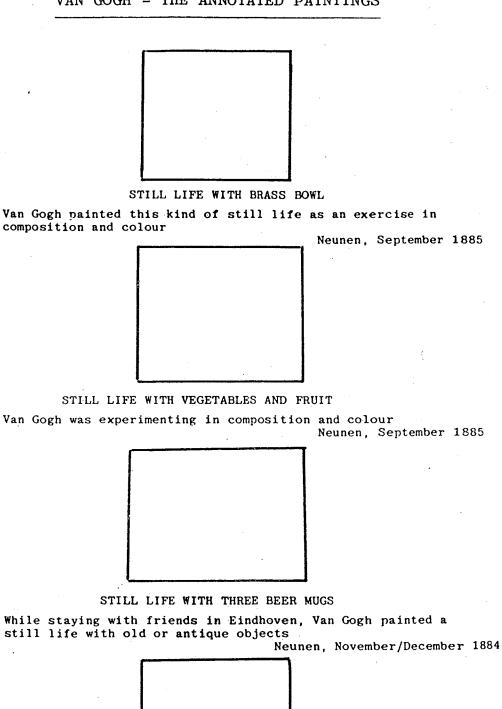
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Blunders of Clown Agents
Papal Bull from the Middle Ages

Mystery over Gaoled Scientist
Gunman Gives Up
Prodigal Sums of a Papal Visit
How World War III Could Start

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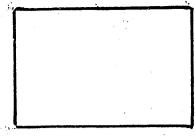
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INTERIOR OF PEASANT'S HOUSE WITH FOUR PERSONS

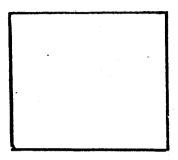
Composition sketch for the Potato Eaters. Van Gögh also considered day light

Neunen, February/March 1885



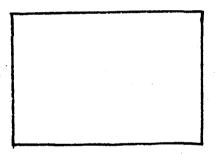
THE ANTWERP QUAY

Van Gogh painted this view of the harbour; a quick impression in December 1885 in Antwerp



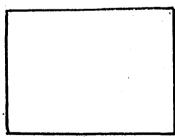
A PAIR OF SHOES

Van Gogh painted this famous painting of a pair of shoes at the end of 1886 in Paris



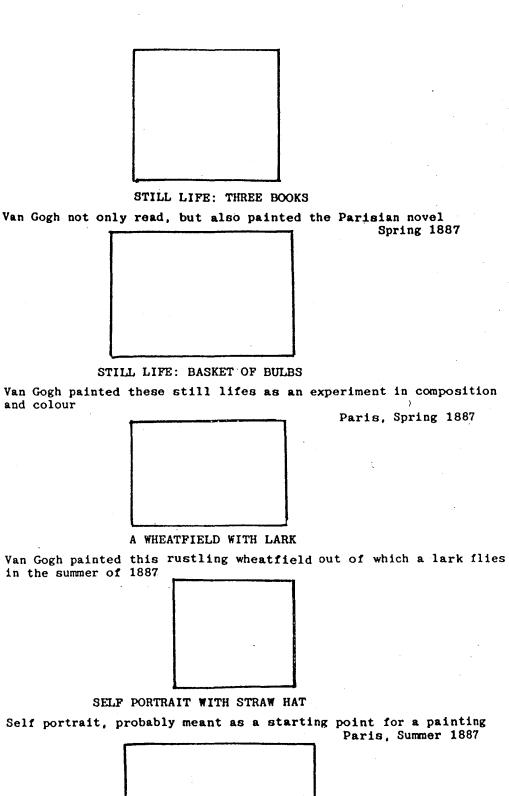
MONTHARTRE: QUARRY: THE MILLS

Van Gogh painted the quarry at Montmartre from various angles
October 1886



MONTMARTRE: THE QUARRY

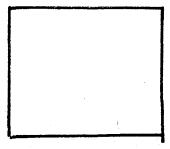
In his Paris landscapes, people play a minor role
September/October 1886



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VIEW OF KITCHEN GARDENS ON MONTMARTRE

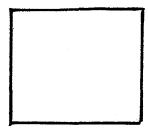
View of Montmartre where Van Gogh and his brother lived Paris, Summer 1887



A CORNER OF MONTMARTRE

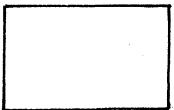
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Paris, Summer 1887

VIEW FROM VAN GOGH'S ROOM IN THE RUE LEDIC
Van Gogh painted this view from his room in Paris, Spring 1887



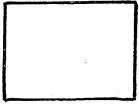
STILL LIFE: 21 ROMANS PARISIENS

Van Gogh not only read, but also painted the Parisian Novels
Paris, Autumn 1887



STILL LIFE: LEMONS, PEARS & GRAPES

Surprising experiment: the painting continues onto the frame Paris, Autumn 1887

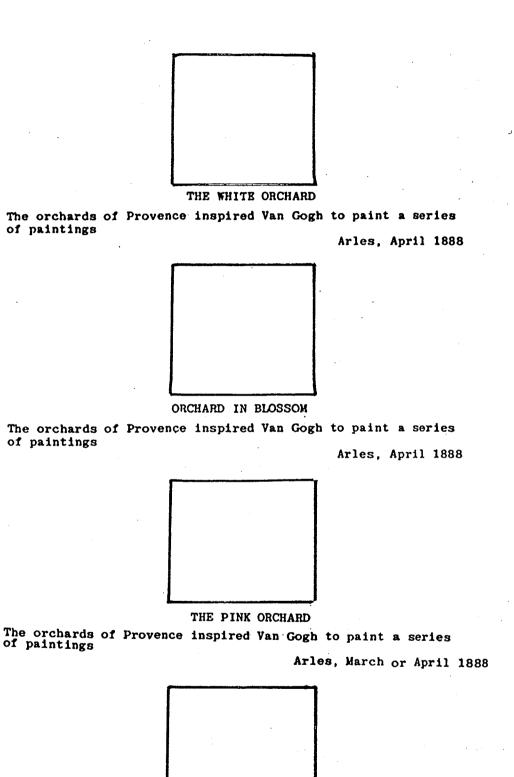


A PORK BUTCHER'S SHOP

"A bit of pavement with a pork butcher's shop" is how Van Gogh described this study

Arles, February 1888

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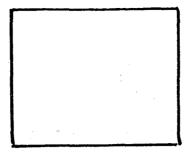
ORCHARDS IN BLOSSOM

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The orchards of Provence inspired Van Gogh to paint a series of paintings

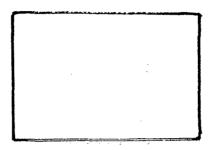
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VIEW OF ARLES WITH IRISES IN FOREGROUND

According to Van Gogh's description the violet irises in the foreground form both the subject and the main motif

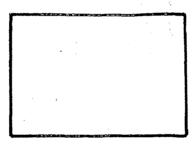
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THE ORCHARD WITH A VIEW OF ARLES

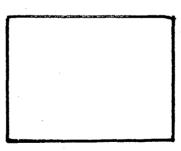
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OLIVE TREES: PINK SKY

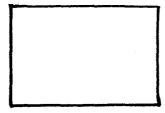
At St. Remy too Van Gogh liked to work in orchards, August 1889



TWO WHITE BUTTERFLIES

The interest in butterflies and other insects retained from his youth asserts itself again

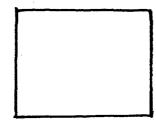
St. Remy, 1890



ROSES AND A BEETLE

Van Gogh's childhood interest in roses and insects asserts itself again

St. Remy, May 1890



STILL LIFE: PINK ROSES

An interest from Van Gogh's youth asserts itself again St. Remy, May 1890



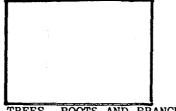
BUTTERFLIES AND POPPIES

An early interest of Van Gogh's youth asserts itself again in these butterflies and poppies St. Remy, May 1890



BRANCH OF AN ALMOND TREE IN BLOSSOM

Branch of an almond tree in blossom, painted for his new-born nephew Vincent St. Remy, February 1890



TREES, ROOTS AND BRANCHES

The movement in the irregular shapes of these roots and branches struck Van Gogh Auvers-sur-Oise, July 1890

SOCKLESS IN SANDALS, Collected Poems, Volume Six, contains all the poems written between 1976 and July 1985 which can be adapted to the typewriter, apart from those which were printed in the Kollekted Kris Kringle, Collected Poems, Volume Four, Anarcho Press, 1979.

First comes a series of Found Poems:

- 1 A guide to the "new" found on Bill Griffiths' typewriter, 1976.
- 2 If he knew what he was doing, he would do it better! the title and the Sockless in Sandals quote come from The Guardian of 27th May, 1981 in a review of The Show Trial of The Arts Council at The Tricycle Theatre. Ed Berman, defending The Arts Council, quoted the review as evidence that such rubbish as I perpetrated was thoroughly undeserving of an Arts Council grant. I immediately claimed the review in The Guardian as "my poem". Quote two comes from a letter to Keith Musgrove and me from Neil Littlewood. Quote three is from Harper and Queen, an advertisement placed there by The Poetry Society.
- 3 Police left holding bag from a local newspaper of unknown date.
- 4 In Taiwan from a newspaper, date unknown.
- 5 Fifteen months ago, Gil Singh from a newspaper of unknown date.
- 6 This is my first poem from letters addressed to Eric Mottram as editor of The Poetry Review. It dates from 1976.
- 7 The logic is simple from a Los Angeles newspaper of April 1982.
- 8 Scientific research has shown probably as No. 7.
- 9 Expert systems a basis of "knowledge" collaged from an article in The Sunday Times Business News of 7th July, 1985.
- 10 Special offer seen in a Toronto restaurant, October 1978.

Now some "name" poems:

- 11 What's in a name Thatcher a poem for Margaret Thatcher at election time, 1983.
- 12 Katalin Ladik Novi Sad, Yugoslavia, September 1982. First performed there with Katalin Ladik.
- 13 Edwin Morgan 65 anagrams for Edwin Morgan's 65th birthday "with help from wife, daughter and grand-daughter and Peter Finch's computer", March 1985.
- 14 The Jack poem originally for a performance at King's College. Strand, in 1981. More than doubled in length for this publication, June, 1985.
- The Tom poems largely found material from Steven L. Strauss's Lexicalist Phonology of English and German, a book I purchased, in the company of Tom Leonard, in the Shakespeare & Company bookshop, Vienna, in February 1983. First performed, with Clive Fencott, at Metropolitan Wharf, Wapping, on April 2nd, 1983, in the series Performing the Word. First published in The Poet's Voice No. 5, 1984, edited by Fred Beake.

Two cut-up poems:

- 16 poetical anawithems, wordslishing a cut-up poem of unknown date. I find it impossible now to reconstruct the original material from which it was cut. It consists of a re-arrangement of narrow vertical strips.
- 17 Bo?angles a permutational cut-up of unknown date. It is made from a statement of mine for a Poets Conference in which I stated that I found my misunderstandings of books on linguistics very fruitful as an aid to composing poems.

For my earlier cut-up poems, see Cygnet Ring, Collected Poems, Volume One, Tapocketa Press, 1977. My cut-up poems were commenced in March 1956, three years before Brion Gysin 'invented' the method. I don't for one moment think that I invented the cut-up. After all, Tristan Tzara was creating poems by pulling words (cut-up words) out of a hat in the 1920s. I would be glad to know of other poets who were using a cut-up method before 1956. Any information, please, to the publisher of this volume.

And now, some language-based poems:

- 18 A-nan an' nan the note to this poem appears at the foot of the poem itself. It was composed in Berlin in September 1977 and published in the Writers Forum Card series in the same month.
- 19 STAY Lem a poem composed from material found in A Vocabulary of Native Words in the Halkomelem language as used by the Native People of the Lower Fraser Valley, B.C., written and published by Oliver N. Wells, Vancouver, 1965, which I bought in Vancouver in April 1982. It was first published in Cobbing and Fencott in San Diego Writers Forum/El Uel Uel U, San Diego, April 1982 and first performed at the University of California, San Diego on April 2nd. STAY lem means "song" and the four stanzas relate to "wood; burn; torch; dance".
- 20 PEH pa hahl (source as 19), a little poem for the "frog".
- 21 tem UHQ (source as 19), a song of the elements "earth, rain, air, water; earth, ice, hail, wind; water, earth, wind, east wind; sea, fog, thunder, lightning; snow, hail, ice, ice, ice".
- 22 tem kway eh les (source as 19), a song of the times of day and the seasons "spring, summer, autumn, winter; morning, evening, noon-time, night; day, mid-day, night, mid-night; yesterday, today, today, tomorrow; morning, evening, noon-time, night".
- 23 The Sacred Mushroom found material from the book Le Champignon Magique by Andrija Puharich, Tchou Editeur, 1976, which I bought in Paris in January, 1980. The poem's two parts incorporate words in many languages including Hindi, German, Russian, Greek, Latin, Slav, Mongolian, Chinese (Ling chi), Eskimo, Egyptian and especially Sanscrit. Other poems to the Sacred Mushroom are in my Collected Poems Volumes Three and Four. One day they will all be collected up into Bob Cobbing's Mushroom Book.

Alphabet Poems are next:

- 24 Umbo, tubule poem and illustrations extracted from The Encyclopedia of Mushrooms, Dickinson/Lucas, Orbis, 1979.
- 25 Alphabet of Californian Fishes poem and illustrations extracted from Guide to the Coastal Marine Fishes of California, California Fish Bulletin No. 157, University of California, 1972. The poem was made in Delmar, California in April 1982.
- 26 Angels Camp, Berkeley from the book 1000 California Place Names by Erwin S. Gudde, which I bought in Delmar in April 1982. Pronounce Cache Creek as Cash Creek; Iaqua as Eye' a quay; Jolon as Ho lohn'; Nojoqui as Nah' hoh wee; Ubehebe as U bee hee' bee; and Vallejo as Va lay' oh.
- 27 Allosaurus, Amebelodon probably found in the Science Museum, Toronto in October 1978.
- 28 Acrilan, Adidas from Dictionary of Trade Name Origins by Adrian Room, Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1982. Originally intended for Allen Fisher's Anthology Clothes but eventually a visual piece was substituted.

29 Aumbry, ambree - from A Glossary of household and farming terms from sixteenth-century probate inventories compiled by Rosemary Milward for the Derbyshire Record Society, 1977 with additions from Dictionary of Early English by Joseph T. Shipley, Littlefield Adams, 1963. Aumbry and ombre, a large cupboard; ballies, bellows; coberdes, cob-irons to support a spit in front of a fire, or a mis-spelling of cupboards; diaber, diaper, a twilled linen cloth woven with diamond patterns; ewre and ure, ewer; frankpane, frying pan; gyerdyearn, gridiron; heykilles, comb for dressing flax; iyen, iron; jayge, a measure of hay; kyschynes and quissheon, cushions, cushion; landeyrne, landiron, a large type of cobiron for supporting burning wood; mateshess, materess; napperye, household linen; piggen, small wooden vessel; rement, raiment, clothing; sossare, saucer, a small deep vessel for holding sauce; thrave, twelve sheaves; varges, verjuice, the acid juice of crab-apples, etc; weales, wheels; wheit, wheat; weyther, wether, male sheep; woll, wool; yauke, yoke (oxen); ballock, once (politely) used in various compounds as ballock-cod, the scrotum; stund, a state of amazement, a wooden container for small beer; tapis and tappes, a piece of figured cloth; urchun, a hedgehog; volary, a large birdcage; wayne, wain, a large open fourwheeled wagon; yaud, a mare, a strumpet; zimm, gem; plus all the spelling variations.

A miscellaneous batch:

- 30 Polybasite Monoclinic found in the Science Museum in Toronto, October, 1978.
- 31 Rainbow composed by asking acquaintances and friends to give me a word beginning with R, A, I, etc. I remember Jean and Stan Trevor gave me some of the words. Date unknown.
- 32 Whale done for, but not used in, Greg Gatenby's anthology which was published to raise funds in defence of the whale. Date unknown.
- 33 SOL for, but not used in, Oral Complex's performance at the October Gallery, London, in March 1982. Much enlarged for this publication, July 1985.
- 34 SUN specially for this publication, July 1985.
- 35 A classification of Danish Riddles with Unexpected Solutions found in a book on Danish riddles which Anthony Barnett sent to me to pass on to Bill Griffiths, 1983.

Typewriter versions of four handwritten poems:

- 36 Lion, Lenin, Leonora, Lamb compiled from words seen, heard, read or intuited by conscious or subconscious processes on the train journey from San Jose to Delmar, April 1982. First published in holograph in Cobbing and Fencott in San Diego, April 1982 and performed by Fencott and Cobbing on April 2nd at the University of California, San Diego.
- 37 See water compiled from words and phrases seen on the train journey from San Jose to Delmar, April 1982. First published and performed as 36.
- 38 Alevin, Bars, Causapscal compiled from the quiz and competitions page of a Miami newspaper on the train journey from Miami to Baltimore March 1982. First published in holograph in Cobbing and Fencott in Baltimore, Writers Forum/El Uel Uel U, March 1982 and performed by Fencott and Cobbing in Baltimore on 3rd March.
- 39 U & Me Transfer compiled from things seen, heard and read on the train journey from Miami to Baltimore in March 1982, including a comment on my work by Alan Young in Dada and After, Manchester University Press: "Unfortunately Cobbing's work has moved into the realm of the incoherent and ultimately trivial as he has become more conscious of and imitative of the anarchic and destructive ancestry of his experiments". Publication and performance as 38

And three to finish with:

- 40 A bean-feast that bore fruit compiled from headlines in one Saturday's issue of The Guardian during the Falklands War, 1982.
- 41 ANT WAR WON a poem for War on Want, date unknown.
- 42 Van Gogh the Annotated Paintings exactly copied from the captions in English below the paintings in Amsterdam's Van Gogh Museum, May 1979.

As far as I am aware, only poems 15 (The Tom poems) and 18 (A-nan an' nan) have been previously published in the U.K. Nos. 19, 36, 37, 38 and 39 have been previously published in the U.S.A. All the other poems are published here for the first time.

I would like to thank Peter Finch for the amount of editorial effort he put into this publication (and for the cover design and introduction) until it became very much his and mine, a collaborative work.

A Note on Performance:

Some of these poems are obviously linear and conventionally syntactic, but most "have an urge towards stabilized diagram, itemized pieces of information in a spatial lay-out which is, in fact, the syntax" (Eric Mottram). Reading and performing them is therefore not necessarily to be done consecutively from top to bottom or from left to right. Many of them are for two or more voices, with perhaps instrumentation, by conventional instruments played unconventionally, or by electronic or experimental means. Some of them, such as the Halkomelem songs, benefit from dance or movement.

Finally, I received, on a card from Peter Mayer this morning, the following quote from Marcel Proust's Jean Santeuil (ch. 6): Abstract poetry is always infinitely superior to poetry which sets out to mean something". This is why I disagree with the title of the second poem in this book: If he knew what he was doing, he would do it better! In poetry, the reverse is more likely to be true.

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