

A Prelapsarian Fall, c. 66,000,000 BC

Honey suckled from fractured rock,
oil seduced from lacteal flint;
Caesarean birth through mantle and crust,
incubator primed by the warmth of her skin.
Chicxulub ovum, rock spermatozoa,
fertilized ore beneath vapourized skin.
Theropod sons, ornithischian daughters,
boiled down to broth with their sauropod kin.
Pressed and preserved between yellowing pages,
goldenrod flowers stashed away in a tin
until jail-broken by diamond-tipped chisels
and siphoned up straws through cracks in her skin.
Sunny-side ovum, heavily salted,
fried in a cradle of iron-ore skin.
Cylinders pressed by the death throes of spirits;
immaculate birth, like sparks from a flint.
Spirits seduced into son, into daughter;
caesarean births through mantle and skin.
They'll suckle the honey from body and rock
while the incubator's primed by the heat of their kin.
Leviticus pressed between yellowing pages;
calcium slumbers in corroded tin.
A Caesarean fall through ocean and rust;
a prenatal fire raging deep in her skin.