

To "Do It Again" by Steely Dan.

Because I would.

I have no idea why.

While in the greenroom a few nights later, I heard McCullough say that during that ride Booth made the following quotation:
'The ambitious youth who fired the Ephesian Dome Outlives in fame the pious fool who reared it.'

McCullough asked, 'John, what was the name of that youth?' Booth answered, 'Why – I – I've forgotten it.'

—from I Saw Booth Shoot Lincoln by W.J. Ferguson (1930; The Riverside Press)

Hup

"Human" on any Community level, harks very much to those Little Red Hens who led groups and headed projects, back in school. You recall. The "patticake" crowd. Making sure we were all organized and in our cubbyholes. The ones who bought in from the git'. The enemies of any state of Self. These little shits, really saw conveyor belt education as fun, positive, even uplifting. A real *Oklahoma* sky kick. Some baby step toward a shining Earth. The warm cuddles of Hi-ho, Hi-ho ...although, again, please note, THEY were the ones in charge, every time. Funny, that. 'Guess I'd be down with arms linked in Help and Love and buying the world a Coke, if I was standing top floor of Republic Steel, watching my factory arsenal and Pinkerton detectives mowing my lawn of workers. Footnote: Sociology + Community x Implementation = Smithers, Release The Hounds.

There are educators today trumpeting Satchmo, on the "character" issue. The individualist, the rejecter of allotted mantle, they make The Enemy. That individual Self who will not, under penalty of expulsion, not censure, not exclusion, not prison, permit a blurring of I and Thou, in order merely to live in the world. We, the ones who will not assimilate and who are pretty good chess players in countering candied arguments pushing the juicy, sun-ripened peach of conformity. We who with selfaware volition refuse to work and play well with Others as but automatic reflex, or genuflect to an "understood" Big Bang theory of social behavior. For Us, there Must Be More than "I said so" or "the book says so". Or, "the computer says so". Or, "Love one another", for that matter. Forces of nature demand genuine reason. The burden of proof falls upon You.

The already realized Self, is hated now more than ever, but a helpful bug has been created in this country, that being the outlawing of any real, smoking HATE. No magistrate would comprehend such an application of that Law, but Individual Selves are the squeakiest of wheels, and that'd be some bad press, so, careful with that axe, Eugene. Selves are instead downplayed, made "infantile" for saying with basic, open honesty, that we will not be told. As with the entire gamut of modern social politics, semantics wars are a beginner's trick from Freshman Logic, ala "the linking rings". Wow! I'm impressed! So, no Greek House would have you?

I've told you, Truth is not Truth in an era, so I'm stuck with honesty. *I won't be told*, only in that, and frankly, Who Are You? What are your credentials? As for a personal framework, if anOther's dispute with the construct or abstract or fine tuning of my walk through this world is not either legal or financial, then, Fuck Them. If I'm not in debt to you and you can't lay handcuffs on me, then, why am I being forced to experience you, be it from pulpit, podium, talk show or textbook. If you're so far gone, you're selling The Solution courtesy of You and other Others, because blahblah propaganda, blahblah spin, blahblah debating techniques, blah a reconstitution of dusty old You Musts, blah Mommy say behave, blahblah, b'blahblah ass...then, hire yourself a talented artist, as you belong, profile, in a Leninist poster, i.e. the noble hero cum That-Looks-Stupid.

Those who think Man quantifiable, are blind to The Artist painting a portrait inclusive of themselves. The obedient never have to self-inventory. Why would they? They're "obedient", remember? They bought in from the git'. It's a general elitism. A social ponzi scheme. It scoots some, all the way to hospice care.

Nonfriends, for you, I leave in my wake, a poignant safety poster: There is no 'I', in 'Team"...but your middle finger, supplies a nice one.

CEE, crossing Silver Bridge on US 35, W.Va./OH border, Dec. 15th, 1967

7 = I Like My Own Likes

Somewhere, Father Coughlin is Weeping

You know 'Cause a' the 'bankers' part Of what he...yelled about, Went to FaceKook, one day I'd been individually deleting every sponsor Uniformly selecting, "This Offends Me" Whether it did or not And, I'd Reload the page, uuuhhhh Here's a whole new list a' Sponsors I did this, I think, five times Finally, I found the Setting page where (I thought) all of 'em were listed And, I started off, Music in my head, some Chuck Jones 'toon Where they used it to accentuate Industry I must've deleted by finding Offensive 4 figures worth a' sponsors And, like in a Norse myth, The goblet held more mead than ever; I used to snipe at any social bitch, "The State Always Wins!", and It does, but the Q now becomes, "What Is 'The State'?" Father Charles Edward Coughlin Is in Heaven, crying his eyes out Nicholas Biddle, our first banking titan Is laughing his ass off, in Hell

It's because you like baths and feeling comfortable

Two reasons, two arguments Twain motive for Unfriending for Who and What one stands behind A pair of reasons, exactly two The Bronze medalist is still outside the stadium And all other reasons, ten or twenty ago Would have been weave-pullin' on Springer, Only two, behind ice cold malt Of insincere, polite, "Please Don't" email The rant on your thread, out of nowhere The "how dare you", then, when Responded to as by Christ or Gandhi "Friends" Total is one less, within the hour, Two powderkegs, side by side One and some beans makes Two: Gay as 1,000,000% Equal, and The current resident of 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. This would take too long, but Either Civil War, If you're gonna ignite it, ignite it! Zero Accountability, is bullshit Any infant, can shit their pants Ripping seams and resewing social reality Costs Something All FaceStink takes Is an opinion and a computer

OH!! OKAY, ENTITY!!

Tough Texas barmaid rant At FaceCrap, as if it was staffed Staffed by people, is what that means Staffed the way you see telephone operators In pre-LBJ movies Like everyone sits around Watching screens in a boiler room There's food delivery at some point, Someone gets shorted their pickle 'n chips But, otherwise they sit there, watching Making arbitrary decisions Like the friend who felt we should Follow all rules he liked in a game he liked But None of those he didn't IOW, rules, Laws, God's opinion They're just jumping off points, y'see, And our roomful of Donna Reeds Kaffeeklatsch about that rude girl, the Tough Texas barmaid who keeps posting What she shouldn't "BAD!!" (slap wrist, DELETE...or, whatever) The barmaid thinks FaceFuck Is human at fore **Fully** Not, just that certain X and Y words tripped embedded protocol Or someone the barmaid trusts, is demonic And likes fucking with her

Until the next person exists

It's just exactly what the last person said Until the next person posts I agree

i agicc I made a

I made a statement I'll amend Until it only has the word 'and' in it

I'm here to Tell You All What!

Then, retract it

Not fightin', feudin' ner fussin'

I just am very definite

'Until I make

{ANYONE IN THE WHOLE WORLD}

Mad,

Don't mean nuthin'

Don't mean Not Everything

I'm here, and it's all good but what's not

It's okay what you say, okay, okay what you say

Meanin' nuthin', it's, please, let's just

I Like

And

Like

Bulls in china shops need friends, too Maybe shoes one day, when it rains I'm sure you're right, I'll really believe it

It's what Fozzie said when the crowd

Threw vegetables

Please

I'm trying so hard

What's wrong with this Lie from The Pit?

They finally put in "I Just Don't Like It" And you get those options To Unfriend or to reveal yourself Or to Block the mutha outright Option #2, may as well be a scary 80's screenplay, Options #1 and 3 don't work, either You're not interested in raising the bar You just want the assface Slapped down And, you are Right, Amen But, it's like the old "phone call from Mom" Gonna get me out of another "I don't wanta!" Except this case, it's a swimming unit in PE Taught by the Swimming Coach Not understanding I don't wish to LEARN in the first place In some personal trainer-type setting, I merely wish to be excused That's flagging and reporting, right there, You can Know, Omni, "Hello!" all you like, Best you'll get in nod Is the text version of the long-dead Operator voice, "We're sorry..." I could accept that, but, sometimes ShitBook allows only Communication This, I find restrictive and mean.

(her password is "Soul_Ties")

Stories I've heard Some, witnessed Husbands who, from work Call every time they cop a squirt Wives, visiting known family Phoned every hour on the hour Hubbies who, as THEIR ONLY FACEFRIEND Have listed the bride they apparently trust About as far as they could Shoot Kate Moss from a crossbow, Whyfor ya tuh do That? Oh, well, the online horror stories, yeah But...that's spread out over the whole, ent— Yeah, all right, it's mostly in the West... *Ohh!* You don't *know* that many people it— Well, the dudes could've tried being nicer t— Yeah, I know Some of them lose out, too... But...it's kind of a kind of surveillance! You can't approach Love, wi— Yes Yeah Yes, I've read Ben Franklin, too Wuh...but, what if you didn't ever Try, to find out or even know, and so Never did? What's the worst that cou— Oh, all right, I get that, okay, yeah Oh, really? No kidding? Omigod Well...Yeah, but, the Other dude Would have to pay That child support!

Where Books of Face Fail, or MHO has Always Been a Fact

Cybercommunity, as all Community Has People in it People every shade of angry, crazy Every intimidation, selfdelusion Every available "but can't you see...?" FaceUgly, is like a multiplicative New England Town Hall Meeting The point of it, a coming together Of every genome of a creature who cannot Merge So, if, when conjuring the aforementioned New England Town Hall Meeting When picturing it at monkey screams-worst, Thou art able to say, "Hey! That's just Life!", Hey, then, byebye, Fuck You and Vaya con Dios Yes, non, I know that If one permits reality of Other, You're always gonna have a cacophony Have discord, contention, fraud, agendaism, Immorality, amorality and HATE Have a human snake pit

Good luck, good luck with that

6 = The Wisdom of Laotian stamps, ca. 1953

Simply Irreversible

Okay, so the female is genuinely interested

By Me, that's a predator
If interested and playing it 1950's, though
I'm likely never to see her,
If not interested at all,
That, I'll see
And hear
Like a car alarm that sounds if you even
Kneel near the bumper to tie your shoe
HATE
A code word for lack of interest
Is loud, and electraglide of appearance
But, let's say I walk up to the right one,
At what point is it all right
For the female to be other than as
Receptor?

Back in The Day
I fought with anarchist friends
Re: Robert Palmer music videos
Re: His "girls"
I found my friends roundly fucked
Roundly fucked in the head
I suppose you can deduce
Our respective positions

Don't I want to be wanted?

A Little Windsor McKay Action

Never, but If Ever you have a waking dream If Indians emerge from cupboards Or at least the cheapshit, promo "These Will NEVER Be Valuable!" spoons Packing up to head down' th' crick To elope with that ungrateful dish bitch, If creatures reminiscent of *Little Nemo* Or the various inventions of Captain Nemo Or Nemo Swirl about, to Nightwish's "Nemo", If the eidolon Lovecraft wrote that Goofball series of letters, about it Wandering free Wanders free, If snakes with flutes and Russian gremlins Play that crap jam from The Jungle Book To a Don King PPV of Good vs. Evil, You know what? Get up, go sit in the other room Stare into the middle distance Pick an insoluable regret And feel sad, 'til Sleep reclaims, All that crap is crap, anyway It's pizza I'd never care about it I'd care way more, if Joe Hill turned up Him, I'd put six bullets into And not because I thought he was a prowler

SMIRK: "Rather a Giggle" (Vol. I, No. 1)

Inspired by open, free, crass mores of Ancient grimoire called *National Lampoon*, Young writer sets sights on aping style With his own, homespun satire mag Each single copy made as cheaply As being 20 going on 8 provides for; In the "foto" section, here we see A weeping Buddhist monk Standing next to statue of ol' Sidd, Minus head due to militia of the minute Popping caps Young writer, badly captions Mourning monk lamenting, "Oh, Buddha! The soldiers shot off your head! Those godless swine!" And headless stone replies to monk, "'Godless'? How can that be? When they shot off my head, Their guns were going, #BUDDABUDDABUDDABUDDA#!!" Such vaudeville all in all, a better aftertaste Than young writer ghosting a column "By" a friend's sister Making her out devotee of ECKANKAR And making her brainless as sin The former, isn't humorous The latter, wasn't humorous to him As attitudes of Other act as vacuum To suck all the fun out of living

"GoGO, Gadget Compassion!"

Our basement as low rent Xanadu Self-professed "picker" With more money than God, strolls Daddy Warbucks at a yard sale Solo patter, babbleshit rationalizations So to gird loins with "I Am Righteous, I Cheat No One" Fair enough after all, There's home, hearth and stock options To think about...and to count, every night This county, after all, voted for Nixon 3 times Dude didn't owe me a sponge soaked in hyssop, Mountains of expensive better days loot Not it isn't exactly no "D'you have the rare, OOP, HTF Limited Edition European release to only 29 toys stores in Austria, X-Ray, Spring Action, BlueRed half-scale, *spinning* Inspector Gadget With the slightly differently crooked nose?" A minute later, staring, Hungry Jerk, At prop replica pic of Nixon His mouth holds much saliva, Speaking to his own, damned Self, "That'd be real good, to have the original."

We had 6 bucks in the bank
Dude didn't owe me a sponge soaked in hyssop

Hell, I heard stories, during the Ford Years

I'm sure they'll throw up roadblocks For a man who forgets he lives in a country Drenched in love juices of media Where no one but depictions or recordings Are allowed to have genitalia, But, mindful of that, and the fact of locals Still freaked by black cats, Who get "Black Hole Sun" SFX at South Park Or have confused the word "phlegm" With the word "jism" So that they practically shit When you reference the frog in your throat, Or stand ten feet away until handed something, Then back to ten feet away, again Who very probably still think You can get AIDS from off a dinner plate And who act this, think this, boycott, live And guard against it all with Cold War Soviet trick of Alexander Graham Bell, Well, I have a "Boy Scouts" suggestion: Kids can now prefer any in-theory snuggle Which leaves registered, only gay scouts and Heteros secretly beaten by Code Blue parents, Leaders, though, still have to be Mr. Buzzcut My suggestion? Buzz, 86 the snipe hunt Just leave each tent a sack a' Mac And head into town for some shooters What happens, is what happens, anyway The instant your sleeping pills kick in

Chockablock Earth

Consider interior of the Pyramids Or inside ancient Angkor Separated from the tour group In an Irish castle Lingering in the study at Mount Vernon Sitting on the tomb of Cecil John Rhodes Looking out upon 'The View of The World' Hard for a narcissist to differentiate When eventually, Everyone takes up space as inert Instead of Self's precious Time, Easy to understand the adult child Who leaves streamers, balloons, a letter At Mommy's mausoleum wall But Those people, back in school? The uncreative friendlies Who always wrote rote shit like, "I was here, but now I'm gone, I've left my name to carry on" Those people? Those people were obtuse enough To eat their own feet

5 = Pinkie Understands

Sir Thomas Lawrence Painted Her, You Know (Deathbed Scene, as described)

Sarah Goodin Barrett Moulton screamed. The scream was God Almighty's. Robert and Eliza answered, Covering bleeding ears, holding their heads, Howling, writhing from open agonies of Infinity. duMat jolted awake, jerked ground to standing Before fainting again from trauma Windows not already broken, shattered. Wagon wheels shattered. The Fenwick School's foundation cracked. Outlier buildings began to cave. Brass containers, exploded. Milk cans, exploded. All family and servants Even duMat in reddest 'mares of dreams, Screamed along with God. Utter horror at End of Days. The dark pink star, vengeful, Was killing everything as it died. But, the dark pink star, still finite, Had nothing left to give, and It knew this. The screaming stopped. A snowflake dropped, wet, into Hell.

"How would you know that?" asked the art teacher. Smiling at this world full of zip code directories, I repeated, "A snowflake dropped, wet, into Hell."

Sacrificing Pinky Lee, Nude, on an Altar

It's been said young people are, Today Loath to judge Which began years ago As a kind of Christian escapism A kinder, gentler shirking of responsibility No more biblically sound than The Epistle of Ignatius to Polycarp, but, For once, The World copied The Church And young people, Now, Today Aren't real big on condemnation Past any near point, they don't give a shit But, it's a really bored, low range of emotion Don't-Give-a-Shit, They are, to use a David Spade malaprop, "Dullened" For this, for a second, let us Thank God, As that's an essential failsafe Their own kids won't have These, Today, just stare back, Dust Bowl Theirs, Tomorrow? Combine two classic cartoon images: Group picks up fall guy, throwing him FAST over the cliff, And the one with the dancing flea circus At the end of the parade, That's genocide, fifteen years from Now Logs of Old wood and Emotionless wood Carried gleeful to precipice, Hi-ho, "Eh-Eh ehehehhh, eh-eh ehehehhh...!"

Dirge for the Independent Grocer's Movement (Houghton Lake, Michigan)

Nine items in the condiment section, Near hardening bread and picnic gear It's all ...relish... Hamburg' relish Hot dog relish Very specific, snooty Dill, opposed to Sweet Ketchup relish Catsup relish And a mustard relish...made, by, uh... Oh, of course it is They own all mustard on the planet, No rush on the shelves That's all as I see, that's ever been here There're myriad, non-name-brands (a kind of food-based pixie magic existing far away from cities) Aisles in the place, bright darkness Unsweepable tile of ground-in grime, Hopeless since Koufax retired, There're wooden checkstands, no conveyor Where wooden, smokesmelling 21-year old Hopeless in ground-in, pastel uniform With receipt, hands me her number, Not even knowing my name, She says come by after six, alone She'll do her Bangkok best and then, If I decide I like being her savior Next morning, we can leave

Pupil the Parrot, the Imprudent Student

Everyone in the class Was complaining about How impossible the taught lesson was to Understand But, then, an epiphany was offered by Blackboard-wiped-clean-of-green-chalk Eyes, Who comes and goes, "Uh! Don't try to understand it, Just Memorize It!" And, this "Polly wan' an 'A'!" bullshit Would be the ultimate learning skill If "memorizing it", actually KEPT IT IN YOUR BRAIN Because, yes, you would, you'd have a few A handful Screaming, melting down, holding skulls Who Couldn't NOT Think About The square root of 48 Girls bleeding out in tubs, unable to live Alongside teachings of Sigmund Freud Boys encountering Ashley Montague, then Two nights later, blowing their brains out, But, it's either That Or the mouthbreathing version Of every squalling brat the protection of Staterun Family Service Agencies, created

Quality only, nonfriends...Never Quantity

Pinkie House is an Historic House (Scots!)

G'yu'ne Pinkie House, duhr anc'eeen't cloon Gargarn Domayann 'farien Musselbrrrrguhguh, Set yon, t'grooond air Battle o' Pinkie Cleugh Brazzookaszzresserrrr, leughundbrbrbrr BrrreeedDookumbanggs maejuisse moorrrrrr Now,

Who takes up the cross for the Scottish person Who would have Me dead? Who does the Simon of Cyrene 440-relay For Their burden? Uh? Uh? Hugh Fink? Who? Manifesto: That any/all/every offended person Who Is Not Me Is an idiot.

As reference, I cite a favorite teacher: His essay Q on WW2

Had a real enough swastika over it, as The symbol itself had synthesis to do With the damned Q

But, instead of making with necessary Rhetoric, one kid kneejerk marked it up Writing beside it,

"I Find This Offensive"

Fave and I made fun of that, comedy team I, mocking line, but 9 times more simpleton He, Amen-ing, "Whoopteeshit!"

It's say nothing or say everything, Uncle Future You wanta fight for a Gray Blob Earth, wha hae! Welcome tae yer gory bed, Or tae victorie

4 = "Barker's Box" [It's Your Gamble]

#DINGding#! Wow! A \$1000.00 Memory!

The only footage which exists of the Gene Fullmer vs. Florentino Fernandez Middleweight Championship fight Fought in Ogden, Utah on August 15th, 1961 Is silent, but in color Cold War color, as in "This ain't some ballroom MGM Bursting on silver popcorn screen, More like it was made by Ted Turner's daddy"; The fight in Municipal Stadium Takes place, seen on screen, it seems In a valley beneath some mountains At sunset At opening bell, it's lit balmy day, By even the 13th, Only spotlight of squared circle, visible And the referee is nine feet tall, and Looks like The Giant from Twin Peaks, But point made here, is the crowd The locals, mostly, who fade from our view Phasing out of crappy colorization And back to 1961 Thence to go home To 1961 Utah homes 1961 Utah lives To Spacetime, 1961 Seen now as buttugly, dead, cold and slave Unless you jack off to Jack Kennedy

#DINGDINGDING#!! OMG!! A \$5000.00 One!!

Cow Palace-isco, March 3rd, 1972
Ev ll Nev ll
As seen from behind
Misses a jump
(what else is new?
how 'bout dem Lakers?)
And he and his cycle—
Which, for some reason,
This disaster probably boosted sales
Giving you an idea of America
Then AND Now—
The cycle and Ev ll
sllllLLLLooooOOEEwwW
WhhhhHHeeeeeeHHZZZ
#BAAM!!!#

Into a San Francisco Cow Palace
Pillar support...the giant, concrete...
Holds-the-Cow-Palace-up thing
(you didn't want
Victor Mature as Samson near it,
let's leave it there)
And der cycle so many young crazoids
Would buy, that very fiscal year
Rebounds, Looney Tunes, off camera
Hurrying light speed, out of sight
Possibly, to get the hell away from Ev Il

It probably didn't like being abused

#EEHHHHHhhhhh#!! (you greedy fucker)

So, what, then, is Loss?

I sleep in the bough of a back yard tree
Mourning family home no longer standing
I am only 17, but
EEHHHHHHH!!
My wife is a serpent, has spent us dead
Though I come from a loving, monied family
EHHHHHHHHH!!
I had to have eye surgery, but it was successf—
EHH!! EHHH!! EHHHHHH!!
Mom died, but though I feel true peace in my—
EEEHHHHHEEEHHHHHEEHHH!!
It's over...you know Hillary'll get it
(I sympathize, but) EEHHHHHHHHHHHHH!!

So, okay, then, smart guy What's Loss?

All right...see the clock? It's running, right? Time moves Only Forward
There is No Way to stop this
And as such, Others shrug shoulders
And will not brook your discomfort
Accepting the Reality of Solutionlessness
Is Loss it is loss of Identity
Bowing, yet again, to tribe,
Conga-lining off to oblivion

Before we cut to commercial, Do you have a joke to tell Bob?

CEE: Sure, um...okay...uhm... What's the difference Between Hitler and Loving someone?

(canned laughter, scattered applause)

BARKER (as plastic): Ah, well, now, I don't know, CEE, What *is* the difference between Hitler and loving someone?

CEE: You mean, there really is a difference?

3 = I Heart Blank

Semadar, 1949

Angela Lansbury as Philistine maiden This This She, is legitimate FantasyReality For "legitimate" and "real" and "person" Human walking-down-the-street, as seen Can only be unreal'd so far "Actual person", is hard to STUFFIT So, a perfectly perfected imperfect person Milk skin (it's out there) Ringlets and folds of mane (to each...) And you're clung together (happens every day) Passion perhaps only seeking Perhaps only safety hunters Need grasping ocean's splinters (this can still be passion is that what 's in you) It's okay...easy, now...we're safe and OH GOD IS THAT GOOD And you wrap up in the milk and fragrance Fade In Fade Out Angela Lansbury, as in Murder, She Wrote Sits eight feet away, in sparse, spartan room Facing you, eyes accusing "In another second, we won't be safe" I Know Life Itself is Philistine It's breaths on this sorry ball Of which, the oxygen fragrance Kills

Delilah, 1949

Hedy Lamarr as a Philistine maiden Of somewhat more playful, doubtful Virtue Adream but fully awake, fully sated You as pair bond, stare at ceiling Unlooking, she still seems to face you Spinning jennies of iris light Shining face of possibility, You know there is no other moment All a 'becoming' to Here All absorption, in Being Here All as 'can', proceeding from Here Both, wish only this, continuous breath "If God is all-powerful, all we ask is This" Standard man, you expected quip And, her bones kick your muscle, and You both laugh sighs at the Dream Ceiling Fade Out Fade In You're helping her sit Her eyesight's failing, and badly The pair of you stay alone, see no one All-but-blind jennies, foggy in naked betrayal, "But...we asked God!" Yes, we did Over and over, in supplication With every promise and with sacrifice He said 'NO' That is the reality of God He usually says 'NO'

Oak Lawn, 1976 (When the World was New)

There was a long woodland path Which led from past the roundball court Surrounded as tunnel, in most weather It'd spit me out, 50 yards from East Peoria I walked it, many times More often, I repaired to a hideaway Cut out, large, off left, by teens I used it as my changing room And would disrobe and wander woods And openly as well, on path ...we, each, have a single breath, as free... I would peer, sprite, down to cars on US 150 Explore deep into deepening Spring green Sometimes, even nearing civilization Mindful to stay, safe, in my Walden of Me; One time, afar off, I spied an older boy A teen, on course down the path Superman, I was fast to garbed Clark Kent If the teen saw (I've always known he did) With respect, he did not betray it, He took me to the place the olders sat The place of ritual, of "getting high" I had lapsed into owl-like polite Wanting for him to be gone Desiring nothing of idiot ingestion, no Idiot, Other-based I Am, I wanted to be alone in what was by then Burgeoning, Thick Spring Green Breathe, as free yet safe, never known about But for some motorist, when next gassing up Shaking head, telling attendant about The damnedest thing

2 = Ironclad Truth

Monitor

It's moronic, to consider Some post-9/11, post-Anonymous notion of "finding" All the switchbutt, "looka ME!!" types, The So No Life's Who "work" as online monitors (No receiv-ee BitCoin, at least, No workee real job, buttholes Otherwise my wife and I "work" as Sleepfarmers) Like your local Town Council These, even more so Believe They Have The Right, But, unlike your local Council, The monitors are Nowhere, As fucking-frustrating as when I bought Frank Zappa's album with "Valley Girl", Then, after fun had faded, here came, "I COME FROM NOOOOWHAAAIIIRRR...!" Online forumboardchat SS, are like that A bummer-dilemma that hurts, root canal Knowing they'll never be, All of Them, Found But, never say "never", James Bond And, for my part, hear me, for If not Never, I dibs 3rd shift in the ElectroShock Room

Virginia

I was new to state, county, city and school I knew No One People said you were an Olympic swimmer, Not "Listen, she has ability!" Or, "I bet she coobee a'Lympic swimmer!" Or, "She's real good; didja know she competes?" Or, "Okay, in the fantasy, she's in The Olympic village, and in her swimsuit, and..." NO You actually competed in an Olympiad I idolized you, In a very Oedipal sense, let's not get worshippy In the wrong direction You were strong, confident, capable, stately Walking pimply halls but feet from me, A celebrity, goddammitt, Hobnobbing with media For all I knew, screwing Albanians, Shave maybe four seconds off, and You're being interviewed by Cosell, What kid wouldn't want That for a Mom? I've never forgotten you, Still think you're amazing, in memory In a very Oedipal sense, of course So, don't get panicked I mean, yes, I'd've taken the other perks, too Especially at that age But, I'd've known how sick I was, climbing in So, it all ramifies So, don't get panicked

1 = I am a dead man

Herbert & Bubbles

Somewhere in these United States An attic not an attic exists, It's really more a glorified crawlspace 'tween ceiling and roof And, things exist in this crawlspace, Unused by however many living there For years onto decades onto Lives, These are things unwanted, left behind Pushed to furthest, farthest darkness Abandoned by some It's doubtful these things are forgotten It's doubtful they don't still exist, One container, among its treasures, Holds two stuffed funny animals Both mouses, meeses, mice One male, one female They are to scale, both the size of what A dreaming young girl would have Upon her bed, even Today I would imagine that, in grandest irony The mice couple, are kept together As when a mother sincerely loves a babe, Yet abandons and leaves it, foundling As to their current state of decay, I'd Rather not consider, but I wanted you to know a few things:

one

The boy mouse, is named, "Herbert"
The girl mouse, is named, "Bubbles"
And, they're married, man
'Cause they love each other very much
That's why they've been together,
All of their days
No matter how dark, how unwanted
Herbert and Bubbles are together
They love each other very much

Anyway
I just wanted you to know that

Stay in Formation

Post-CEE Track

Why Do Anything?

I don't know
I don't have an answer for you...

Thus, in his end, the Poet-sirrah closes with prose... This, from the CEE novella, *The Two*:

"Und...there was Walther.

"I did not see him drink too much, but perhaps once or twice. Excess, so celebrated by you in the West, was abhorrent to him. Ernst' manners at table, disgusted him...I recall they came to blows, once. His only vice, was to hide in the background, as Heinz preached Party doctrine, and to mock as though he was Heinz as a puppet, including a puppet face that was genius! And Heinz never knew, though we always fell down laughing.

"Walther listened calmly to the speeches; he seemed more to like reading them in the paper. Was always respectful of women. When we marched into Poland, a blond Pole girl came up to Walther and gave to him a loaf of marble rye. He humbly handed her his toilet kit, then stood tall as the Kommandant screamed at him, later.

"Walther did not speak out of turn, he did not glory in himself, I often saw him lost in thought, and I even saw him pray. But...when you looked into his eyes, you saw nothing. Not the blind fervence of Heinz, not the foolishness of Ernst, not Joachim's quiet resolve. Not even my impudence. No. You saw nothing in Walther's eyes, for there was nothing there to see."

"Siggy pulled long and deep on the disappearing smoke, then mouthed a cloud, which he looked through to Mappy, grim.

"What was there, but for Walther to become a guard at Dachau?"

...so, I don't know I don't have an answer for you

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Well, that's it, from here. Sure enough, I was right: we didn't become friends. That's fine. I told you that, from the beginning. You could call it a self-fulfilling prophecy, but if you do, you haven't absorbed jackshit, from reading me. A patented home psychoanalysis for every hiccup of behavior is a part of the software Others install on one another. It's a kind of "Help" you click on, or a troubleshooting guide, a concordance for your personal brain Bible. Except, like Help or troubleshooting or a concordance, what you're looking for, is rarely there. It's merely handy, to throw reaction and aphorisms like popcorn, when dealing with That Outside The Self...and, see? Once again, the things I tell you aren't so very different from what Others will admit to. Most of them. Doors shut and bolted. Cell, turned off. And they'll whisper it, as though the Gestapo was in the very walls. Some will look at you with hurt, say the word "please", in a drama that used to touch the soul, back when people had them. For there does exist a reason why you must sing the company song, sign the petition, mow your lawn, call down, "up" and trash, "litter", take your meds and finish your sandwich, we don't believe in wasting food/they're starving in China. The reason isn't deprivation of status, not contempt of your fellows, not the reality of being unloved. This reason ends bullseye in Self, but like the music, goes down and around, from sine to cosine and off on tangents. Here it is, said well, supplied us by William B. Davis as the Cigarette Smoking Man, from the 2nd Season of *The X-Files*:

If people were to know of the things I know, it would all fall apart." Or, as CEE has written: "If I have the right idea, Progress stops tomorrow, and the sewers back up."

Or, as CEE has written: "After all, if my life has no meaning, Theirs' don't, either, most of the planet is wrong, and Chaos reigns. So, we must have our comforting little givens, mustn't we?"

That's the bit. That's the "illusion" the current black of glove refer to, the "mind control" if you wanta go that far (and not shower and prefer Picard). It has nothing to do with the individual and everything to do with the herd. If Society is a machine, that's its guts. That's the Ant Community I saw, in my kindergarten doorway. And, it is why I've been forever alone, as I am only ever Me. I have no preordained 'place' in this world. The herd, largely ignorant, has done Zero for me; I certainly don't owe them a goddammed thing. I refuse, point blank, to participate in a world of middling convictions. Though I am not nor can dimly perceive the addictive personality, I join hands with those pre-12 Step, on one, vital tenet: It's Eden or Nothing. As the Web has long since destroyed my magical gift of selfdelusion, the Answer to the Riddle of No Answer is, hence and therefore, "Nothing." The reason is Man, himself. This is intrinsic, it is essence, and essential change is impossible. Which, is why compromise is capitulation. Oooo, the goodies we could get into from there!...but...I've gotta go. 'Gotta be at the River Styx in another heartbeat. Please try and remember the things I've written. It'll give me something to hope on, in a place where there's no hope at all.

No one ever looks into the mirror and speaks a total truth. I say this as Diogenes. You may mint it as finest silver ingots, nonfriends: **There Is No Honest Man.** If one ever turns up, I'll be certain to crack hobnails and give the salute. My theory, is that every pure morality, is totalitarian in nature. I'm all for suffering, as long as I get to watch Others suffer. I didn't always feel this way.

Congratulations.—CEE, 1/31/14

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