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**Telephone / Elephant**

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at a prey or the alarm given on its care  
I got it to incubate the service  
for a telephone to build a cheeriness TV  
with the clever telephone that I was suspicious of  
the iron side of the telephone was a person and  
she knew that side of a telephone the moment she did not  
a few telephones live on the edges of other telephones  
that they are too small to be given money  
was really interested to find out the telephone shops in  
the picture is the sun with a spider on his head  
was remembered by the baby telephone had a position  
to have to speak on such for  
I joined the telephones keeping a white telephone  
had to be allowed to attract everything

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at a prey or the alarm given on its care  
I got it to incubate the service  
for an elephant to build a cheeriness TV  
with the clever elephant that I was suspicious of  
the iron side of the elephant was a person and  
she knew that side of an elephant the moment she did not  
a few elephants live on the edges of other elephants  
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## Camping With Swedenborg

The more perfect the horse, the thinner the whitewash.

Swedenborg says, Horses signify the Intellectual.

Some fishermen preserve their thoughts  
by throwing them in their terrestrial kitchen,  
to multiply the milk from one earth only.

Whatever you take from their spitting cook-pots,  
do not insinuate anything from their intellectual;  
I want to bruise the experiences themselves.  
It is well to take turns with a horse to haul your baggage.

Those who camp out in a round-shouldered box on Mars,  
find it hard to keep a tree fire lit.  
So they accompany wagon trains  
to the great imaginary flames or prominences  
that leap from the outer or right side of Jupiter.

Baked in lamp-scorched blankets,  
you all are much heavier than these great crucibles' bodies.  
This is seen by the study of hot faces,  
a more fascinating covering than that which shines  
from the slow knees of the ground.

Swedenborg says, The eye corresponds to the understanding.

But the long black pressed-tin split subtended by the moon  
would make three-sided end-pieces of Saturn's stuck attractions.

Two quarts of stars falling like ingenious blueberries:  
a wish for an awl, a muzzle full of grog,  
and throw your thirst with clusters of equal glimmers,  
or think to smoke heaven by the ankles.

Swedenborg says, Birds signify the knowledges of things.

The spirits of gravity, their oblique writing in perfect directions,  
their speech is as good as a make-shift or external memory,  
and you will find it fast but never busy.

At least we may relate what fools we are, next to one bird.

[Emanuel Swedenborg (1688-1772) was a scientist and Christian mystic who wrote about his psychic journeys to other worlds. The quotations in the poem are from his book (in translation), "Earths In Our Solar System Which Are Called Planets."]

## Unequal Maneuvers

talking to resist, however, wishing to make the splitting of things,  
therefore, proceeded to assemble, trying to refuse, however,  
started to comply, therefore, began to himself,  
to satisfy the lower choir of learning,  
however, intended to pursue, seems to pursue, intended to study,  
though the next atmosphere, however,  
seemed to destroy the property of laughter,  
therefore, endeavored to fail, talking to resist,  
however, intended to understand the innocent perfectly,  
therefore, replied the educated fish, seems to want,  
however, slipping to refuse,  
endeavored to cross the possible enthusiasm of learning's pond,  
therefore, something to knock the exact system,  
therefore, began to play, however, continued to work,  
having the same moment,  
eager to observe, seeming to listen, seems to pursue,  
having the progress of course,  
therefore, proceeded to scale the kindergarten council,  
inured to necessities, therefore,  
shaking the riddle of medium delight, however,  
try to deliver the stone quiet of clay songs,  
corresponding to silence,  
however, notwithstanding the deep trees,  
nor the elegance of amazement,  
like the lingering pollen of rainbow mists,  
slipping to resist, however, always to himself, try to conquer,  
therefore, seems to pursue, however,  
got to make, remembering the silent part,  
probably the luck to learn the actual side of things,  
therefore, lets the grounds to satisfy the infinite temperature of dark,  
therefore, ceased to resist,  
however, dares to assemble,  
therefore, seems to pursue,  
sensitive to unlock the wit to employ the future  
to fight the coming of age,  
therefore, offered to snap the stems of doors,  
owing to give the sunlit room, therefore,  
till the following sun, however, seems to pursue,

therefore, seemed to tell the next room,  
between the solid mansions of weighty confusion, however,  
owing to make the sound to silence,  
close to himself, corresponding to stop,  
however, seems to pursue

## Mr. Know-It-All

When and where is chemistry?  
In the performance that he couldn't hide from me.  
It is combined with some of my make-believe self,  
a shrill kind of direct perspicuity,  
a heavy old testament.

Who was Galileo?  
In our America there is not really so.  
Other civilized nations possess their separate huts.

What are cloves?  
As is used in a lozenge, he woke in barrels,  
until there were imprisoned and cold, young, interpreted.

Why is she a barometer?  
The skin is skimmed, taken as it were  
from the tears in royal crystal,  
not concerned with her head against the innards of the sea.

Where have you been?

What do you mean by Mauritania?

What is eaten by navigation?  
The truth of liberty.  
Not if I was one plan -- a complete apiece,  
a vessel to be always thinking it's themselves.

Why not keep my word?  
There were enough people  
wrongfully accused of some occult token.  
It assumes a bad architect for the guile.

What do you think?  
Rocks fall on the one  
who composes miniatures with no one to smash them.

## Grace-Notes

The beautiful sea smiled; only I don't really see it.  
But perhaps my mind is unusually tough.  
I see the transparency of the deep-buried winds;  
it throws out a silken push like vines,  
or the same on the village under the ground,  
where even the ends of copper and desert were situated.  
And, just over my feet,  
there fell a rustling of fluidic velvet.

Childishness: Think of nothing more developed.  
It consists of good music, or the ocean,  
and Poor Richard's Almanac for Christmas:  
Didactic, flaky, healthful.  
They are able to play the piano;  
also, a stone, clairaudiently. But I couldn't really hear it.  
They clung like moths to the passing of the imagination.