

# Winter 2011

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#### shoot them both

legendary push-button brass official in a parade-dress helmet pigeons follow in her wake she sheds seeds and marabou feathers lip-gloss crickets we cross paths often she tells me I am appallingly organic I cough and she covers her eyes I wish to lodge a complaint with her superfluous arm: dear sir or melodrama, please be aware your star and clockwork cop are working too hard shoot them both

# aligning with the stars

in the realm of false concern King Tradeable Futures wields his tazer specializing in weak signatures the mare of his awakening has bolted—now he'll never find her or his belt-holster and the tiny grains of salt-substitute spill themselves along the tablecloth seams aligning with the stars until the table hums and the king taken aback demands the gravy-boat and the lance

## certain birds

the return of certain birds that's a start. Thow much stink bug per blackberry bush and all that... tinker with a car in the dusk cornhusk terrible demon squash in undergrowth. nobody's varmint fence works. The old lust for mud daft container garden not yet enough: no lightning bug.

## a sort of machine

fever makes my day a sort of machine for counting droplets and shark's teeth north winds blow the molars from my mouth oh danny boy your boss, your boss must hate you and Picasso's bicycle on the wall heat has a sound and light too I could dance to them all day