

# Spring 2020

## **Bart Sonck**

### TO ALL THE PARAKEETS & CANARIES OF THIS NATION

With all your chirping, a peaceful sonnet, a Mozart's opera, jumping from twig to sprig, making this world a lot lighter to carry, making our shoulders lightly unstressed, with all your fluttering and nervous flying, wings in psychedelically summer- and spring tinges, showing loops and landing backwards, in the hope to receive some juicy seed, washing yourselves in a hugeness bath, five millimetre by five, and pairing only for the truly love instead of making some meaningless fuss, and when we are approaching, heaven shines into your eyes by thinking we will open the door of the tropical aviary, by thinking our hands will lift you up to the common freedom...

A rose-poem...

You're a rose, cannot put in a vase, holding with both hands, cutting myself on your thorns, so you're in my blood, that runs through my veins, forever...

## NO MORE ETC. ETC. ETC. ...

Can I help you examine the consequence of your deed? Can I help the truth is something you never see?

If the water starts to stream, you won't stop it at all If the water goes, after a bend, a river grows

Your hand in my hand, not so curious on a wedding Your hand in my hand, let's give it a shot to getting

I see the tears in your eyes, you're so brave as well I hear the sea slipping by, blood so red as hell

No more postcards in the mailbox No more using the kitchen for cooking Everywhere I see emptiness, everywhere I see

Blame it on the city, blame it on the things we do for living No more "thanksgiving", nothing else left from me to you for sharing...

# 'she werewolf's you...'

don't understand what you feel, when you say while eyes capture the fire out of my immortal soul,

don't know what you mean, while teeth colour dark black, eating the last piece of the brownie,

when you say: 'can I see you again before the falling canvas of our play?'

don't know what I miss, while mother whispers orchestral: 'she werewolf's you' when you say:

'don't know what you bleed, while breath escapes out of the lunges like the rope escapes out of the gallows tree'

when you say: 'maybe this is for real, perhaps just for today?'

#### Ruins and trenches

Sometimes the love leaves behind scars in our heart
It's the blood who heals those wounds, it's the blood who glues the heart back into one pumping part
Sometimes one sentence leaves behind a broken chandelier, swinging on the ceiling, it's a calm hand who stops everything, and the swinging, it's a calm hand who turns the doorknob into the right direction of "being home",

Sometimes we all do things, things leaving behind ruins and trenches But it's the feeling, a Christmas tree... It's a smile, a golden star on the top of the Christmas tree that overcomes the madness and the sickness Sometimes we only say: 'Sometimes we say nothing at all...'