(Five Poems): ‘Cistern 1’; ‘Cistern 2’; ‘Flit’; ‘I thought that things improve’; ‘The Vacuous Twat’

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Flit

if a dozen subjunctives were here
to listen. Listen! If this

were all, this flitting from
to side to side
‘The acid-bath of truth’, writes Pursewarden somewhere, a comminatory note sent from the purlieus of a de Sadean garden, us manumitted, released from our anglo-saxon into the porphyritic dusk – God ever the humourist in this city of the fragrant hero, fourth volume, unwritten - fringeing the interlinear, dusting the catamites with purpureal light in a slow, cistern-drip of oneiric desuetude.
Cistern 2

I have a relation with the cistern.

I am in relation with the cistern.

I have a relationship with the cistern.

The cistern and I have a relationship.

The cistern and I, we have a relationship.

To the cistern?

There is a relationship to the cistern?

I feel a going out, towards the cistern and its noise.

The relationship is between the cistern, myself, and the noise.

I can't fix the cistern forever,
I can just turn off the noise of the overflow
as the valve doesn't close properly
and the water continues to flood into the
relationship
the sound of a dripping relationship.

So this is what it is like to be stated between all things.
I thought that things improve

I see time’s mackerel grey beneath the pool
of mackerel grey beneath the pool of mackerel grey
us see the time of mackerel grey
beneath the pool of time of grey and back
beyond before the time itself began
to track the ticks and tocks of cellular clocks
that lead to fishes, birds brightly coloured
as if the core of time exploded time
once time was overwound Catherine wheel
from which the human heart extruded steel
of mackerel grey among brightly coloured joy.
The Vacuous Twat

I went into the wrong toilet Twice

That epiphany of frozen cars

You don't vote

You vacuous twat