

# 20.0u bremen

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4 anticipating the metaverse, 3 nation six dog, 2 discard

chapbooks

20.0: *v* the dead cat blues, *u* bremen, *t* autumn, *s* mechelen, *r* dye-de-ho, *q* antwerp, *p* tension nitro ego, *o* church is dangerous vital, *n* tin rush, *m* the A rush, *l* an engineering rush (ii), *k* Miss Demeanour, *j* flock state, *i* be infinity, *h* Namings, *g* nation six dog, *f* uncivil law, *e* dead write, *d* chase chase, *c* an engineering rush (i), *b* a much for we, *a* The Joy Of Tax

19.9: *c* Inn, *b* Swoop, *a* An Ode To The A14

19.8: *c* Rose, *b* Hymnen, *a* Darmstadt

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# Poems

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# bremen

*(i)*

overhead thunder  
the wet

streaming hard flowers  
the sting of thorns  
these ice & blind roses

the scent of again exasperation  
and steam like marilyn

*nach Roland*  
boycotting  
*Jüngers*

(ii)

*lange trein van reservatie*  
my seat hadn't being

four hours of suicide incompetents  
or excess *köln*

i don't like smoke  
i hated riding there

(iii)

fifty fucking years  
i failed  
fifty fucking years  
stuffed by their  
fall of inspire

so one month ago  
ich ritt  
far across

damn those unarsed  
oh—it's—only—thursday  
fucktard bastards  
*ik kan een beetje nederlands spreken*

and now i'll kill their cunt ghost  
repulsed off that course  
for uselessness

they were crap city centre  
those rat-turd uninspirers

i'll hang their foregoners  
an meines Sprachengibbet  
i'll fucking well pass

& win

(iv)

sorry bremen  
your *bier* may travel  
but

*mijn* hosts' *bière*  
*ist besser*  
*sange froid*  
-ly

-ish

# Sprache

Sie müssen in Ihrem Zeit sein

Die Sprachen sind Kinder der Welt Fashionsprachen

Sie kennen einzige die Sprachen der Gesternkinder sprechen

Menschen sprechen halb Sichten der Sprachen

## SUCCESS

I've just been served coffee  
'success' it's not too bad at all  
the logo is a waitress  
bringing a steaming cup

she's seen a few in her time  
'though clearly she's still young  
happy in her job  
but you can see concern

no it's not the customers  
there's something else there  
it's a mild frown  
perhaps her child has a bug

or maybe it's just the fret  
about where her life's taking her  
if only she knew  
she'd founded this coffee company

# Animal Magnetism

Whilst working in Luxembourg, I promised a Glaswegian colleague that, as I toured new cities, I'd buy fridge magnets for him to give his mother. I believe he was benign; I'd have reconsidered had he mentioned a pacemaker, or weak floorboards & nasty persons downstairs.

I consistently promised, but consistently reneged. I remembered once, at Watford Gap. I imagined his mother's reaction. "Oh." She'd say, "Nice". She'd borrow the neighbour's Afghan Hound. "It must have got caught in Pong's hair", she'd breathe.

*RIP Ivor Cutler*

# fora

the night overlong  
online fora  
... le caffeine de la politique ...  
click drumroll

challenge comes where where  
aha ill-judged  
lemme check  
got him  
“but the facts are ...”

the loud brandish ire won't think  
the nitty argue grit irration  
the black bright bloom of scar rubbed hate  
& me the reference bore  
but allies engage

so what's it for  
keeping mental fists fit

# instead of Shakespeare

instead of Shakespeare  
the fashion irration  
dogma now demands

anyone showing  
just two arms  
is criminalised as decadent

so for prosthetic profit  
best US Baptist four arm  
is bisected & sold

half apiece  
those fucked up Allahs  
pixies of ego

ten

i'm lucky  
it's just one glass

that connects the lust  
to the expression

some poor buggers  
must ten

lethal  
to make the met life

# satoriial

Learn to read poetry.

Not only will you blasé  
weird line breaks,

you'll encounter  
satori-ial things.

# and then there's the mediocre mouths

it's easy to build a railway  
charge in the shop grab a set lay  
that's not though a railway  
that will take people

it's easy to be told  
where to build your own railway  
civil your route where you're suggested  
on the mainline run empty

no  
read all the routes  
ride all the trains  
find your own Appleby

## swan

I had to catch my own swan,  
make my own charcoal.  
Today, there are better pen sources,  
of course: fountains, for some.

Usually,  
the charcoal was made  
days after  
the swan was caught.

No wonder I'm fat.

(fallen)

there's surface light  
falling  
silhouetting hidden legs  
shadows on the floor

there's two seated  
distant eating alone  
their surface lie

(fallen)

# collective nouns

a screen of computers  
a blue of crash  
a trip of pavements  
a thundercrash of airliners  
a busy of chair legs  
a pollution of motorways  
a tantrum of cold calls  
an ego of salesmen  
a sizzle of sunny days  
a rosebush of cats  
an oil of accidents  
a waffle of meeting  
an ever of anticipations  
a bogie of fears  
a suicide of racists  
a crowd of loneliness  
an airbrush of hair  
a weenie of nationalists  
a blindness of light  
a quest of interviews  
an aria of howls  
a parliament of fools  
an ailment of health food  
a failure of sleep  
a con of marketing  
a family of stones (ho ho ho)  
a contradiction of lawyers  
a contradiction of philosophers  
a contradiction of poets  
(a sounding of trumpet)  
a flub of couch potatoes  
a gullible of believers

an orbit of teapots  
a welcome of invitations  
a fly of ointments  
a bush of shills  
a delusion of reflection  
a delusion of voters  
an illusion of magicians  
a white of words  
a black of silence  
a night of memories  
a knight of remembrance  
a pottyness of puppies  
an enthusiasm of spaniels  
a pepper of sneezes  
a sneeze of pepper



