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the awaiting room

flicking through a copy of
how-to-know-the-knowhow:a-view-of-the-experts-volume9
from hereon referred to as
h.t.k.t.k.a.v.o.t.e.v.9

i am in the awaiting room
awaiting
fiercely needing healing
so a doc of any sort will do
doctor
document
documentary
and so i’m here
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fingertips tipsy with the thrill
as i fingertiptoe my way round
the highly intoxicating pages of
how-to-know-the-knowhow:a-view-of-the-experts-volume9
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i am in the awaiting room
awaiting
funny symptoms
are no laughing matter
the awaiting room is heaving
with expectation
all of us here
awaiting
a bulletin
a clip
the whiz kid
a chip
something
anything
we want things quantified
by someone qualified
someone qualified in
how-to-know-the-knowhow:a-view-of-the-experts-volume9
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we need a specialist
one who has the gist
we want an ologist
to attend to our condition
funny symptoms
are no laughing matter
the waiting room is heaving
with agitation
the infected and affected
awaiting
slowly mutating
from patient to impatient
tensions start running high
at the announcement
the vaccine is in short supply
funny symptoms
are no laughing matter
the waiting room is heaving
with desperation
jostling
jockeying
overriding
the appointment system
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**hakata**

look what hakata do
inside the shaker of human hands
percussion
and what hakata do
outside the shaker on way to land
repercussion
for i who finds myself
sitting trying to stand
this outlandish place
there is such a strong presence
i’m not sure witch doctor says
come back another day
but not in those words
come back another day

look what hakata do
inside the shaker of human hands
percussion
and what hakata do
outside the shaker on way to land
repercussion
for i who finds myself
again
sitting trying to stand
this old soul technology
there is such a strong presence
i’m not sure witch doctor says
your ailing is your failing
but not in those words
your ailing is your failing
to read
the situation
that you have not been
flicking through a copy of
how-to-know-the-knowhow:a-view-of-the-experts-volume9
the volume is not the issue
but the appendix
how-to-know-the-knowhow*phantom-facts-by-the-ghost-writer-volume9
often also referred to as
manifesto of self significance
there is such a strong presence
i’m not sure witch doctor says
your sickness is your quickness
but not in those words
your sickness is your quickness
to write
on the wall
of the gazebo of placebos
where you sit
in graceful poise of poison
tending the wound
that time cannot heal
and when it’s time for reflection
gazing at yourself in the mirage
like a mushroom
you’ve been growing in the dark
stumbling upon
obstacles of self design
nothing about this is random
obstacles of self design
come in’formation
you do they
come in’formation

there is such a strong presence
i’m not sure witch doctor says
your malaise is your delays
but not in those words
your malaise is your delays
in ‘rithmeticking
too and too together
a horse and a pedestal together
with vertigo views
a thicket and a forest together
with the wildest animal of all
unanswered call
of free spirit
together with
unanswered call
of open mind
all together resulting in
a kind of unkind mind
wear and tear and swelling
of the tongue is telling
funny symptoms
are no laughing matter
deadly serious is
shortness of breath
caused by prolonged bouts
of unmodulated speech
deadly serious is
loss of muscle tone
of the ears
caused by lack of use
funny symptoms
are no laughing matter
deadly serious is
persistent cough
caused by lack of thought clearing
before speaking
deadly serious is
numbness of necessity
simple things keep things simple
and still
you cast your shameless shadow
speaking of the supernatural
as if you’ve exhausted
learning and understanding
funny symptoms
are no laughing matter
deadly serious is
disease of expertise

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inside the shaker of human hands
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