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War continues  
War continues  
War continues  
The great debacle continues  
The bloody sire continues  
War continues  
War continues  
Patriotism, the menace to liberty continues  
The beginning of the end continues  
War spectacle continues  
War continues  
And what could a poem do?  
A poem written a continent away from the conflict,  
By an individual who's body is as they write this host to the  
plague that has spread across the world,  
It's worthless, self-indulgence, some might say,  
But I would not.  
This is to me an absurd refusal to accept any position of  
impotent inability to Affect.  
Yes I am nothing,  
I create myself though and refuse to not do so.

And while I refuse,  
War continues  
War continues  
War continues  
The playing of teams,  
In sports-like spectacles of memes,  
Live streamed  
Continues.  
In my twilight dances I climb the tallest tree heights I can  
find,  
To scream, laugh and cry rebellion!  
War continues  
War continues  
It fucking continues  
It continually continues.  
Wars between nations, states, collectives, differing heads on  
the Leviathan-Hydra,  
Who is Moloch.  
War as the annihilation of wildlife,  
Their war being the assimilation of non-conformity into the  
system, if only through erasure.  
War continues as the industrial-militarist-necro-capitalist  
work machine.  
For as long as I have been aware of the media,  
I have witnessed the spectacle of war,  
With intensifying hyper-reality,  
And at this point,  
I am notified,  
So I cannot,  
Escape.  
I was born in 1991 and first took real notice of the news,  
When the civilised world became forever changed,  
When the structures of architectural absolution,  
Global finance, world trade, Western-victory,  
Collapsed and this culture went on a series,

Sheela Na Gig  
Sheela Na Gig  
Sheela Na Gig  
I desire life and the living  
I have watched too much the spectacle of war  
I have watched in horror and revolt and protested and war  
continues.  
I was nearly shot when seeking to defend badgers from an-  
nihilation.  
I want to be-Kali and destroy the machinery of annihilation.  
I want to be Sheela Na Gig and birth a primordial forest.  
I have met the Buddha on the road and killed him, for peace  
is too welcoming of the most life-ending violence for my tastes.  
War continues, but so do I!

Through nuclear-dharma,  
Om Krim Kali  
Om Krim Kali  
Om Krim Kali  
I wish for no peace  
I desire feeling and emotion  
I want industrial warfare to end,  
But it continues.  
Om Krim Kali  
Om Krim Kali  
Om Krim Kali  
May their machines rust  
May a great storm destroy their weapons  
May the earth quake and open up its belly of molten  
rock and consume all the metals that they have manipulated  
through productivity,  
To die within earth and reborn anew.  
Om Krim Kali  
Om Krim Kali  
Om Krim Kali  
May this stupid poem be enough to destroy the icons of this  
fowl church,  
Is it?  
Are these words enough?  
No, of course not.  
But I still want to write.  
Sheela Na Gig  
Sheela Na Gig  
Sheela Na Gig  
Please birth a deep, dark, primordial forest,  
Home to boar, wolf, deer, badger, buzzard, snowdrop, frog,  
hawk, snake, woodlouse, bee, butterfly, fox, lynx, mink, bear,  
newt, salmon, trout, great rock, tiny stone, moss, ivy and more,  
Upon what was once the battlefields of mass-industrial-  
necro-capitalist-militarist-productivity.

Of wars campaigned with but one aim,  
An aim that it convinced itself wasn't,  
But now could only be true.  
The aim of fossil fuels,  
A vile excuse,  
For all the  
Sacrifices  
Offered  
To this  
God.  
And war continues  
And war continues  
And war continues  
And the lives of the living are sacrificed,  
For the Cause of sustaining industry,  
Through the fuels that industry needs.  
War continues  
War continues  
Are they the good side?  
Are they the bad?  
Are they the just and the other the evil?  
I am sure each would say so of the other.  
I see no goodness in either,  
And I see no evil.  
I see shallow, cowardly, revolting attempts to maintain em-  
pire.  
I see cowards who lack the strength to fight with the bodies  
that they are,  
So they use the machinery of industrial warfare, rather than  
their teeth or fists.  
Some say they see tribalism in this war, but I see no tribes  
– I see collectives, assimilating individuals to be sacrifices in  
their Cause of warfare.  
And war continues  
War continues

War continues  
War continues  
Radiation leaks in the Red Forest  
And war continues  
Bombs fly across the world,  
In far off places, with fewer nuclear weapons  
And the war spectacle continues  
Poems are written  
Art works are created  
Protest songs are sung  
And war continues  
Totalitarianism continues its production of totalities,  
Totalities that will inevitably de-totalise,  
And war continues.  
I have protested as an attempt to challenge war-narratives.  
I have attended anti-war marches and demonstrations.  
And war continues.  
Now I write this poem, as an absurd act of rebellion,  
And war continues.  
Will it continue on forever?  
Can there be militarist conflict that is perpetuated ad infinitum?  
Can we construct a mass-grave big enough to throw in all  
the corpses,  
The waste products of industrial-warfare,  
And somehow use them,  
As fuel to somehow,  
Sustain this,  
Shit?  
I have watched the spectacle of war for what feels like far  
too long.  
Friends I have cared for have offered themselves as sacri-  
fices for the militarist machine.  
Tears come to my eyes,  
And war continues

War continues  
War continues.  
The Cause of peace is war,  
And war is Caused by peace.  
The annihilation of conflict has been the single justification  
of war that I have ever encountered,  
But as life strikes me as an experience of conflict,  
The annihilation of conflict strikes me as,  
Denying and renouncing life,  
As revolting weakness,  
Careless abuse that,  
Cowers before,  
The abyss,  
Without the courage to look in.  
Oh I see many soldiers: if only I could see many warriors.  
Warriors who don't wage wars,  
As they don't fear conflict.  
But war continues  
Soldiers continue soldiering  
States continue stating  
Nations continue nationing  
And war continues  
They say "war rages on", but I see no rage in industrial mil-  
itarism,  
I see no emotions, no feeling, or if anything the attempt to  
non-attach,  
With Buddhistic peacefulness.  
I see no rage in a gun.  
I see no fear in bombs.  
I see no anguish in tanks.  
I see no sadness in a drone.  
I see no trembling in this annihilation.  
Mindfulness weaponised as militarist-detachment,  
For absolute peacefulness, through annihilation,  
Immanetising the eschaton,