

A FLASH FLICKERS ACROSS THE SCREEN

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my words in my head are jumbled

[three times beat out]

smoke cooks muscle and tissue

[three times reignited]

entry and exit wounds

GOING TO BE THINNING OUT

a slight breeze blowing
the fun work train is rolling

continuously

resin, wood and electrical wire
are these clouds dissipating soon?

~~NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO QUIT~~

~~creeping danger is a~~

~~wait-and-see~~

~~match up to a lag gap~~

~~stretch out to a pose~~

~~like everyone else~~

THERE WEREN'T SO MANY AND
NOW, SUDDENLY, EVERYONE

control the soul

growing frustration and hunger

for freedom

open the window

to growing camaraderie and screaming

HARD AS NELL TO COME BY

very OPEN

soul scorch top notch

mad cat pitch fork

rock roll hands on

work out hear that

ONE CANNOT AFFORD TO BE PATCHY

five	reptiles
four	birds
four	frogs
two	mammals
one	fish

Internet performance of *LAN Love Poem.gif* (GIF animation, 2014)

- a flash flickers across the screen (after *Holding a kitchen knife to cut the internet cable, a road with lightning sparks*)

Source: Huff, C. 2017. 'What It's Like to Be Struck by Lightning' in *The Atlantic*.
<https://www.theatlantic.com/science/archive/2017/05/struck-by-lightning/528114/>.

- going to be thinning out (after *To Be Missed is Another Kind of Beauty*)

Source: David Lynch Theater. 2022. *David Lynch's Weather Report 4/10/22*. Youtube.
<https://youtu.be/ObF4oGEJUp4>.

- now is not the time to quit (after *When cigarettes fall in love with matches, the cigarette gets burned*)

Source: Mazer, B. 2022. 'COVID Won't End Up Like the Flu. It Will Be Like Smoking.' in *The Atlantic*. <https://www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2022/02/covid-anti-vaccine-smoking/622819/>.

- There weren't so many and now suddenly, everyone (after *Flowers all Fallen, Birds far Gone*)

Source: Hood, L. L. 2022 'Why People in Locked Down Shanghai are Screaming Out Their Windows' in *NEOSCOPE*. <https://futurism.com/neoscope/video-shanghai-china-screaming>.

- hard as hell to come by (after *Why Tokyo rain wet Paris*)

Source: Okkame. 2010. 'Black Artists Group – In Paris, Aries 1973 (1973, BAG)' in *Perfection of Perplexion wordpress*. <https://perfectionofperplexion.wordpress.com/2010/05/31/black-artists-group-in-paris-aries-1973-1973-bag/>.

- One cannot afford to be patchy (after *Hundred degrees can not search your thirty degree smile*)

Source: Garnett, S. and Woinarski, J. 2022. 'Extinct by 2041 – 63 native species we simply can't give up on' in *Australian Geographic*. <https://www.australiangeographic.com.au/news/2022/05/extinct-by-2041-63-native-species-we-simply-cant-give-up-on/>.