

To the solitary and the friendless.

"I care for myself. The more solitary, the more friendless, the more unsustained I am, the more I will respect myself."

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Orientations









### Anita Dolman

### The suitcase of Clarissa B.

(after Jon Crispin's photographs of the abandoned suitcases at Willard Asylum for the Chronic Insane)

Cracked leather straps knuckled under black, snapped in brass, a binding that bound the nothing in place: her briefcase her portfolio her wallet emptied when?

Dust-worn, a Railway Express Agency Incorporated label reads 53 Washington Sq. S. New York City, New York

### Anita Dolman

### The printer's case

(after Jon Crispin's photographs of the abandoned suitcases at Willard Asylum for the Chronic Insane)

Bookmaker, binder, a tinkerer's trade, not a tinker. Etched-in, indelible, ink without meaning, a case of potential, waiting for ideas; a roll of, a box of, a sheet of, a purchase or inheritance or sale. Here are things you could have done something with if something could still have been done.

### Anita Dolman

### The suitcase of Anna B.

(after Jon Crispin's photographs of the abandoned suitcases at Willard Asylum for the Chronic Insane)

Back stitch, satin stitch, military parade of silk split stitches across linen; flares of purple, petals white, stamens sewn in darkest blue

In the garden outside stars roar, splash down vodka, beat mad as hammers at black earth writhing with carrion beetles, worms

Behind glass everything keeps, pressed to linen, stiches march AB, ABCD, CD, never CDAB, stitches learned perfectly snake across cotton, draw up from, snake in, nothing has proved to be like this







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#### THE WOMAN THAT RIGHT MY GRIEF WITH A TIMER

**Bola Opaleke** 

I'm not here because I was unfaithful, no! I'm here because I lost faith in faithfulness.

The body of every lover has a room, the door of which can neither be unlocked with a key nor be broken

with a hammer. It opens by itself when the heart is ready to bleed. Closes when the pain clotted. Who knows how

to make a man the symmetry of his own longings? Who knows how whispers of ecstasies dissolve into tears? Who knows

what makes two bodies become a fire enflamed by a hurtful dis-endearment of rancid vows? Who knows? Who knows?

They say if you walk away that weakness would trail your tail. But you know staying is only the square root of torture.

Is it the end of the road when the feet stop moving to soulful songs? When the body searches for a new vernacular

with which to unleash caged worms? No one taught me how to not want to kiss the woman that is hugging my quaking lips with her wet eyes;

believe it or not, I once asked my Therapist if it's possible to reduce the size of my manhood just to make an impression; just to let her know, at least, that department was well funded; that my life was not all languorous

at every corner. Who else knows that Therapists don't have sex? They make love. They also can unmake it with a finger on the speed dial.

### **Bola Opaleke**

#### **ODE TO WINNIPEG MOSQUITOES**

the sun is up & the stage is set, our mosquitoes now would wear their boxing gloves

in Winnipeg. that is how we share our sun-baked months of July & August with rebels –

the guerrilla warlords.

but our conscience that has grown bumps & contours & holes from frostbites, would gladly

open the gates of its body to punches (even ones below the belt) from these furious rioters – set free

from a frozen air,

from midafternoon snow. yet, theirs is not a rain of drones but a bevy of little birds

too afraid to possess the sky, too fragile to contest the sea – of eagle-sharks & water-wolves.

with our Gazebos soaked in DEET

we'll be human & use our bare hands like King Kong – the flyswatter of copters. & this is our most efficient THAAD system

to squash every terrorist invasion this summer. though we're the sea & the sky – a Gulliver's body mounted by dwarfs.

## **Bola Opaleke**

Samuel de Champlain left Honfleur, because the King's men owned the world. But it wasn't clear what language they spoke – English or French or none at all?

It was clear. The King's men owned the world.

They saw the earth the way no one else did and so make it theirs. The sea keeping their rooms tidy, its windows locked against the smells of the first laborers,

cuddles Fort Saint-Louis before it became Cape Diamond and became Quebec city. The first feet & first souls not unbruised.

The King's men built a new language made entirely of salt,

its every word dissolves itself in another word, in *Kanata* – an accent with a colorfully long tail. *Samuel de Champlain* raised his right hand

then his left, asks if "this is how to worship the gods of the land" – the *Discoverer* locking arms with his Guides' – to not get lost in his discovery. The King's men survived

"...claiming beauty where there is only truth" \*

\*from *The Rabbits* by Jericho Brown

Hear the voice of the Prophet -

for his wife that would only raise one kid, skid off the pendulum quiver and perch life-long on the dark shoulder of alternative fact, alternative misery.

He scrubbed the gleaming surface of the doomed kingdom, locked in the closet of his rusty heart. His gray scythe-legs at war with every sprouting bud (of refugee-flower). She vowed to never look at him again. Never give in to his germinating theory of cross pollination. Though, she'd spent her evenings tending to the news of climate change and immigrants resettlement.

Gosh! We should export our sweet voices abroad.

Let this woman grow. Even in death, her body stolen before borrowed – greases the passage of wingless angels gathering before a midnight feast, numbering wombs.

Actually, he should have a right to be afraid; to be scared even of his own shadow. When winter wind makes everyone hide behind the mourning veil of would-be murderers, and her only child – his only claim to life, cannot afford to take suicide-bombing defense lessons in addition to his mounting Civics curriculum, he must get the front door shut and polish his guns. And yes, he must take the fight to *their* doorsteps...and the doorsteps of anyone that looks like them.

To hear the voice of the Prophet again -

the Methuselah falls on her laps when the abortion clinic got bludgeoned overnight This tree dampened her heavy thighs with tears, she got barred from churches for being dirty with sperm stains.

But he cannot just watch his beloved streets grow black thorns or brown weeds or purple spikes that would one day climb in through the window and poison his alarm clock, or snuggle his Santa socks. Because hundred years from now his only child's only child would be paying rent for the same house he bought off sweats of slaves and servants. Yes! Time to shut her up, and borrow her body by force.

They say we should pity him – the captain –

help understand his drive to escape extinction – of power and privileges. The rooster lays golden eggs and takes beautiful photos. But she has wings, and those are evil things that give the Captain sleepless nights.

The men with dark hearts rejoice. They come in droves to kill: Women History Voices.

#### **NO MORE REFUGEES (I)**

### **Bola Opaleke**

The water of our city was never still; a village sun would knock and wait for us to open up our frozen doors; but the city sun breaks the windows, never making an attempt to knock on the doors. For some of us who stood above the grave this Raiders' night of all nights the faces of our dead folks, wedged in-between reincarnated shadows of the whirlwind, tormented us, irrigating our faces with teardrops that keep the mouth moist; the mouth sewn. But we were born *for* this city and into it. Around it

our in-edible shrubs beckoning to the ghosts of murdered trees, watching as we flaunt pregnancies to be aborted by a simple kiss of death: the city *unclosing* the doors of karma on us.

The name of our city was never written in blood it got bloodied by games slaughtered everyday in the name of some non-existing *gods*. When the baobab tree cast a big shadow over the remnant of this land, the educated ones amongst us called it the *eclipse of the sun*. The illiterates knew better *"God must be angry"*. We cut off the antennae of reason and created a chasm where *Logic* only sun-tans. Roaring epidemic of graveyards encircles us, it makes love to our beloved city every night; never detumescent, never scared of *gifting* us bastards. At dawn

we chased after sunlight. Lost within the perineum of the world that wanted to swallow us and the one we did not want to forget, our eyes cuddled the kind of blindness that ignores a famished lion.

To scrub the gore off the effervescent cloud our silenced voices – withering like autumn leaves, send their acidic prayers across the sea. Many lashes creeping out of our amputated tongues, baying at phantom images, lacerated the skin. We would have, again, cried at that point but the broken skin was one that dissolves in tiny liquid. And to chain our roaming shadows to that baobab tree all the swollen dreams, looped into a boulevard of nightmares

## **Bola Opaleke**

in our heads, would have to vacate the city and allow us die a peaceful death; allow us burn our decaying bodies, and sprinkle the ashes in waters and mountains around the world.

We left our land that we loved more than our arms to love yours, and care for it like a cougar care for his young ones. On your skies, we'd form dots of glittering stars not knowing all you ever wanted was a thousand moons.

#### **NO MORE REFUGEES (II)**

### **Bola Opaleke**

How do we know if the season soon would turn against us? With fate perched on the olive orchard weeping for itself and for our new glittering city; our slaving minds meandering, dazed, lost in the desert of its own dreams, calling *Jerusalem...Jerusalem*. But *Jerusalem* is no longer a word of deliverance,

it is a slang for "revulsion". Because we know all the Egyptian gods by name – we watch a new king raise a new sword – against us – against daughters of prized sons that would themselves become gods one day. Our ancestors would cast a backward glance at the land we left, the fortunes we built and the many destinies buried where water turned to dry land, they would shed a single tear for themselves; for us too.

Because no one would remember how a snake swallowed a snake they would remember only how we have always been snakes – labeled Lucifer with no chance to carve a smile; scared for our children that would, in turn, become baby-serpents without a fault of their own carrying the odor of decay-names fabricated for us as they struggle past the bridge. Envious of the Vultures that fly far away when the season turned for the worse against them; against us too. But how do we now return to the land of our fathers where every sand is a flickering ash wanting to eat our feet?

They said we should forget the past and embrace the future. Though part of that past was the part where our ancestors rescued a nation from the jaws of death; from famine! And the future was a stretch of beads – a frogspawn – wives holding onto the shoulders of their husbands, their children tied to their aprons waiting in line to become a smoldering smoke – something without a face or a name.

## **Bola Opaleke**

i would make you scream when there was no ghost

when there was no finger tracing the single sweat

running down your nose i would tell your bones

the secrets of mountains shrinking down to little rocks

with your body still terrified from learning death

lives underneath your skin i would mold your mind

to forget the torture and the pain of digging

into the blood that only boils to have the heart cooked

i would tell your body to dance even before music arrives

Mama used to sing me this lullaby whenever I cried as a baby. I have never heard it elsewhere and she can no longer remember the words, but sometimes, when I can't sleep, I mumble her melody until I'm out. Mama was never good at singing. Her voice breaks sharp on almost every note, wavering bold and uncertain, full of a soft vulnerability, lost inside her mouth. For years, I watched her hum himnos at sacrament meetings, her illiterate eyes darting over the text, stuttering, struggling to read and sing at the same time. It always felt like the pianist was the one interrupting her. The piano didn't know what a prayer should sound like. Mama holds La Biblia the way you hold a song in your chest, mouthing words like *hijo* and *Dios*. She can barely sound them out, but she *knows* what they mean. Those words quake inside her, a red-eyed truth, a cherry-wet wound. I hear it when she prays at night, especially when it's for me.

#### Where Mama's Legs are The Americas

To be born, I had to dagger through her isthmus.

The doctor cracked his knuckles, his gloves white & slippery

as fat. For too long, he tugged at my kicking feet, saying, *if I survived a breech birth*,

*he will too*. Mama swears she could feel my fingers ferret up her ribcage, my dull skull

nudging higher & higher until I passed out on a train of intestines, smashing

the windows of Mama's gut. A bandy-legged bandit, taking more than nine months.

Mama coughed worse than an engine, overheating in the desert. A howl like brakes

cutting through sand. In Salvador, we may not have survived it—

too many ways to tie an umbilical cord into a noose. During labor, the doctor

forced Mama to push until her red excrement fled like a flood down her thighs. The coyote

made Mama run until her red exodus fled like a phlegm down her thighs. The surgeon

cut a horizon beneath her belly, and I rise hot & bloody as the last sun.

The coyote never held a knife against Mama but when family first saw her legs,

they feared he raped her. The surgeon stitched a fence over the cut

as if to say *no more will pass here*. Mama still has the scar. It looks like mangled horizon.

Mama's legs leap over trains, a gory pair of scissors cutting open the sky. Clouds

of dust follow her war drum, robbing entire villages blind. They leave behind infants

wriggling dry as tongues under a dung-colored sun. Her legs flex and rot. They never stop

giving birth. When I seize them, they kick a scar into my mouth.

Our blood draws maps in the sand.

#### For Those Who Ask Me Why There Are So Many Powerful Women in My Poems and So Few Men

It's called war, amor. I spent years asking the same question. Some call it double labor—the way our mothers raised children

working doubles & cooking dinners for mangy men piss-drunk on cheap beer—but it's more than that. I grew up surrounded

by silent survivors—rape, warfare, you name it—women who carried entire villages stateside on minimum wage.

Do you want to meet the men in my family? We come from boys forced into hiding from militares, then maras, endless days lost

locked in rooms, infinite nights asleep on rooftops, small as beans hidden in barrels, forbidden from going into public for fear

of being taken from home & put on the frontline. Women must take the lead. There are men who cannot work unless work

means war. There are men who castrate other men for refusing to take arms. Do you understand what that does to you?

A primo once told us of a man in the park who asked meekly if he could hold his baby girl in his arms. He broke down crying

as he held her. *I'm sorry*, he said. *They made me do it*. My cousin held this massacre of a man in his arms and told him, *forget about it now*.

*What is done is done. Enjoy the life you have left in you.* The child screamed like she knew what he did. The man knew the sound of that cry.

In sixth grade, a woman police officer interrupted our lesson on the anatomy of flowers or whatever by calling out my name at the door of the classroom. Weeks prior, I had drawn a picture of a house on fire. I broke all the red crayons to draw a scene without police or firemen, a sky burning with smoke and faces melting as reluctantly as candlewax or the sour that oozes from the broken skin of peaches. I heard my name and sunk into my seat, wishing I could join the dry wads of gum stuck hidden like fugitives beneath the desk. I wished I no longer had a name and could stare dumb as my classmates, their mouths and eyes halfopen and hungry. She told me to rise, and so, I rose, trembling, my anatomy nothing like a flower except for maybe its thorns, except for maybe my tendency to be blown over by the wind or picked apart by the fingers of anxious boys. I knew nothing of Rodney King or psychology. I knew nothing but this nagging doubt I've had my whole life—that I am guilty although I have done nothing wrong. I was the only brown boy in my classroom. Later, a classmate told me, he never would've guessed I was *that* bad. Later, they would all shriek for me as we all climbed through a fire truck. Later, we all would release a collective sigh of relief as the police officer declared I won an art contest for my drawing of the building, and it would be blown up to about my size and hang from the fire station wall all year. A week later, I visited the fire station with my no-English speaking mama and we stood awkwardly for a few moments staring at my violent image, pulled from nothing but the boiling depths of my prepubescent angst, blown up to the size of my body, not making small talk with the families of the two younger white girls who drew pictures of firemen cuddling their fire dogs and smiling police officers with no guns or batons. We each won one hundred dollars, and when asked what they would do with the money, the little white girls each rattled off litanies of dresses and dollies and peonies and pennies, they've saved up a whole year for a pony. Like a good brown boy, I told them I would save my hundred to go to college. But none of what happened afterwards really mattered in the first moment when the woman stood uniformed in black by the door, arms crossed, her hip with the pistol cocked to the side, saying We're looking for William Paloma, yes, William, come here.

#### Desktop Graffiti

## Willy Palomo

sorry but i don't listen to scratched discs nor dysphoric dissonance meant to disrupt dissidence i be like: who dis? who dissed? cuz i'm past this tense distance since i only quest a question if i can question the quest like Tribe, like, dawg, i rather Q-tip then pretend i tip on your cue

Poem where a white poet publishes three poems about the election while I am out leading a protest, screaming my ass off in the streets

Go head & call it jealousy. If I wanted to be published, I shouldn't have been born with skin this brown & what am I even doing writing this poem if I have yet to fulfill my promise to scream until freedom comes with its unpinned hope, hot as a grenade in my palm. How selfish as me. Understand, I lost my voice at a protest & now you are the one who speaks, mister, with your first political poem, more about sound than the politics, madam, more about the form than fomenting & where are you when the long arm of the law comes swinging? If I am in the streets, if I am at the library, I know I am right where I belong. I come from a family who lost everything but song, whose scars run long as borders. I long for what we could have become. Mama deserves to be jefa, Papa has a memory so mathematical he should have been a scientist, Dreamers deserve the time to do stupid shit like lick ice cream or have hobbies instead of working doubles for less than half of what you get, reader. Listen, my people have more hope & hustle than there is water in the desert. Our veins are green rivers rising high. Our teeth gnaw through barbwire, we are so hungry. My mama got el rio bravo in her neck. You'd drown if you crossed her. You'd holler for help from your countrymen pondering oppression on their screens. They'd write a poem about it. You wouldn't.

#### **Battle Rap Before I Submit**

## Willy Palomo

Tell Copper Canyon to cop a cannon if they try to push my raps and not keep my pockets banging. Anything less than proper planning and I'll dismantle canons, leave coppers scramming, mouth popping off malatov until they knock it off and my stanzas standing next to the master's anthems, I'm talking Dr. Roxane and Ross Gay. Picture on the wall of the Frost Place. When I put my handsome hands in, rhythms defy the master's scansions. I'll blast a has been and a hasn't. Their passive passions can never pass me, not even the past me when I was barely passing math and a half teen, pouring my soul into glass screens.

My homeboys got faded, smoking from glass pipes. They would pass cush while I would pass mics. Tell any press who wanna be the best to act right, cuz I spit like I knew Sun Tzu in a past life.

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Plants (Pee Wee Herman)



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# **James Sanders**



Plants (0)

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Past	Future	Interior	Exterior
All air a rim.	The nearer in talkers.	m'ldnt	mid-ding
Trim of it.	Another person has entered the room through the screen door.	co-honk toccata	beconning
Probablies.	The shape him in talking is a dimming briar.	clonical	n-planed plot
Cell glissando on there tilts there.	The blue resumes pink.	tillised	bent beady deems
Room fills with metaphor.	The gloom shape lollygag.	or-obits	slobjects
Both sides bite at lithe.	People smile with their lateral machines hosed.	hiss-guss	self-fizzing
Light doors.	The horizontal is ice when startled.	overdozes	growed
Drools as entries.	Cuddle entendres.	tonate	no-rooter
Lounge a leaved.	Pea-green hugs wiggless.	meekt-err	nite seets
Minusless blurter.	A lean in face.	ssredding	stare-purrs
Look mend about picking tape.	Deduned sluff and figures.	dyspicuous	prehensile noon
Intraframe gelatin.	Same nocturnal slants.	contanal	dew-laned blacktop
Air conditioning dreams in uncle parts.	Crowd up poignants the edges.	moibled	meh-embers
Rig around the inserts.	Drapes people- personagonal.	inguage	smirk-smattering

### Josh May and James Sanders



### **Amended Constitution**







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Visual works has been exhibited in

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2017:- Spain (Barcelona).

2018:- Italy (Accademia d'Ungheria in Rome, Museo Sociale a Danisinni and San Cataldo.), U.S.A (Ohio) and on Womens Asemic Writer exhibit(Spring, Summer and Winter).

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