

Funambulist

Cormorant

None speak of the pious in history:
Notre Dame conquered by a pote maudit.
Beyond Frances gendarmes and butchery
rose my twin-eyed concrete Babel staring
 down the gods.
 Stir their hearts;
 Men applaud
crime as art.Violent birth.
 Pile driver lancers
 pierce the earth
 and bleed the clouds.
(Walk on its veins).Steel and glass.
 The propane dancers
 wrap this mass
 in burning shrouds.
(Forest of cranes).New York, I adopt this child.Flight over the ocean,
 Mind as vine to stone
 on a tower.
Sleight of foot in motion,
twined around a throne.
I count and count the hours.Alea jacta est.Wire.
 A workmans attire.
The years we conspired
 finally bear fruit
 this August
 mo(u)rn
 a nation forlorn,
 its emperor shorn
 of august suit
 by modest
blades.As I walk he fades.Crate:
 five hundred pound weight.
 Whisked up the freight
 to south level
 one zero
 fo(u)r
the nightwatchmans snore,
 my skull on the floor,
 sold to the devil

for heroes
deeds.To the skies I lead.Bowman draws the string.
Ropes and cable
...cling stowaway to the arrows flight;
at missiles point, north and south unite.
Cordina, clamp, cavaletti, knot
At backbreaking dawn, the wires pull taut.Rope still sways.
Winds will rage.
Heart ablaze,
I wage
war
on fate.
Fear devoid,
lungs inflate,
tempt the void:The first step.Le nant.
Vos chants, vos cris, je les entends.
A chaque pas, les nuages sadoucissent.
Je danse. Elgance.
Je me permets un sourire:
Si je meurs, quelle belle mort!
Avec les dieux mes pieds.I wave, I sit, I rest, I dream.Speak to birds
words of calm.
Psalms of faith
swathe no auspice
wreaked by siren howls.Uproar from the lowland:
the rattle of lawmens chains.
The lords of the northland
cast me to the plains
a mortal man.The last step.Nona, spin your thread.
Join it to the Sun,
so I may walk.
Morta, rouse your dead.
Tell them of the Sun,
for with me they walk.

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