Jackrabbits

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I was tired of being drunk.

My face cracked like a joke.

So I swung through here
like a brace of jackrabbits,
with their necks all broke. I stumbled at the door with my boot,
and I knocked against the jamb.
and I scrabbled at your chest, like a mute,
with my fists of ham.
trying to tell you that I am
telling you I can--

I can

love you again;

love you again. I'm squinting towards the East.

My faith makes me a dope.

But you can take my hand,

in the darkness, darling,

like a length of rope.

I shaped up overnight, you know,

the day after she died.

when I saw my heart,

and I'll tell you, darling,

it was open wide.

what with telling you I am

telling you I can--

I can

love you again;

love you again. It can have no bounds, you know.

It can have no end.

You can take my hand

in the darkness, darling,

when you need a friend.

And it can change in shape or form,

but never change in size.

Well the water, it ran deep, my darling,

where it don't run wide. The feather of a hawk was bound,

bound around my neck;

a poultice made of fig,

the eager little vultures pecked.

And a verse I read in jest

in Matthew, spoke to me;
said There's a flame that moves
like a low-down pest
and says, You will be freeonly, tell me that I can
tell me that I can:
I can love you again;
love you again.

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