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neckache,
 backache,
 til I'm ready to break.
 chip tooth,
 bone spur,
 a week past Christmas,
 who knows
 if the well's run dry.
 I said so much
 I forget,
 or did I say anything at all?

back strain,
 chest pain,
 gave up the smokes for this?
 a lot of juice and less inspiration,
 coming in fits and starts.
 the first one
 outta the box,
 different you reckon
 from the others.

bad insurance,
 worse doctors,
 less read,
 more forgotten,
 a shape disappearing
 in the dirt devil
 of reason.
 well I said
 it was all
 downhill
 from here.

chopped onions,
 minced garlic,
 omega 3
 fatty acid.
 heart checks,
 butt scans,
 stoked on vitamin K.
 more red potatoes,
 and fresh leeks,
 do you see the obvious sellout?

the rub in the ointment
 you'll soon assign
 to you worn flank?

wondering what comes next,
 you stretch for the drama,
 come off with a laugh
 depending
 on who's looking,
 and who's
 business
 is it anyway?