the disease of expertise

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the awaiting room

flicking through a copy of

how-to-know-the-knowhow:a-view-of-the-experts-volume9

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h.t.k.t.k.a.v.o.t.e.v.9

i am in the awaiting room

awaiting

fiercely needing healing

so a doc of any sort will do

doctor

document

documentary

and so i'm here

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fingertips tipsy with the thrill

as i fingertiptoe my way round

the highly intoxicating pages of

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i am in the awaiting room

awaiting

funny symptoms

are no laughing matter

the awaiting room is heaving

with expectation

all of us here

awaiting

a bulletin

a clip

the whiz kid

a chip

something

anything we want things quantified by someone qualified someone qualified in how-to-know-the-knowhow:a-view-of-the-experts-volume9 from hereon referred to as h.t.k.t.k.a.v.o.t.e.v.9 we need a specialist one who has the gist we want an ologist to attend to our condition funny symptoms are no laughing matter the awaiting room is heaving with agitation the infected and affected awaiting slowly mutating from patient to impatient tensions start running high at the announcement the vaccine is in short supply funny symptoms are no laughing matter the awaiting room is heaving with desperation jostling jockeying overriding the appointment system

hakata

look what hakata do
inside the shaker of human hands
percussion
and what hakata do
outside the shaker on way to land
repercussion
for i who finds myself
sitting trying to stand
this outlandish place
there is such a strong presence
i'm not sure witch doctor says
come back another day
but not in those words
come back another day

look what hakata do inside the shaker of human hands percussion and what hakata do outside the shaker on way to land repercussion for i who finds myself again sitting trying to stand this old soul technology there is such a strong presence i'm not sure witch doctor says your ailing is your failing but not in those words your ailing is your failing to read the situation that you have not been flicking through a copy of how-to-know-the-knowhow:a-view-of-the-experts-volume9 the volume is not the issue but the appendix how-to-know-the-knowhow*phantom-facts-by-the-ghost-writer-volume9 often also referred to as manifesto of self significance

there is such a strong presence i'm not sure witch doctor says your sickness is your quickness but not in those words your sickness is your quickness to write on the wall of the gazebo of placebos where you sit in graceful poise of poison tending the wound that time cannot heal and when it's time for reflection gazing at yourself in the mirage like a mushroom you've been growing in the dark stumbling upon obstacles of self design nothing about this is random obstacles of self design come in'formation they do they come in'formation

there is such a strong presence i'm not sure witch doctor says your malaise is your delays but not in those words your malaise is your delays in 'rithmeticking too and too together a horse and a pedestal together with vertigo views a thicket and a forest together with the wildest animal of all unanswered call of free spirit together with unanswered call of open mind all together resulting in a kind of unkind mind wear and tear and swelling

of the tongue is telling funny symptoms are no laughing matter deadly serious is shortness of breath caused by prolonged bouts of unmodulated speech deadly serious is loss of muscle tone of the ears caused by lack of use funny symptoms are no laughing matter deadly serious is persistent cough caused by lack of thought clearing before speaking deadly serious is numbness of necessity simple things keep things simple and still you cast your shameless shadow speaking of the supernatural as if you've exhausted learning and understanding funny symptoms are no laughing matter deadly serious is disease of expertise

look what hakata do inside the shaker of human hands percussion and what hakata do outside the shaker coming to land repercussion