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Abstract

Poem

21. W.H. New, *Articulating West*, p. 186.
22. See particularly the section beginning in the sixth paragraph of the work, where Swift's proposer computes the economic basis of his project.
23. Section IX of *A Tale of a Tub*.

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A TOUCH OF VINEGAR

A horizon
is dancing towards me.
Scrub-grass wake from their poverty,
clap hands as if lush green, bow-tie audience.
A cow bellows at something
it knows is coming.
The sky stains.
Sun will soon catch spear-points of rain.

Moving,
moving all the time,
my wheels spit out miles like grape-seed.
Behind green holocaust
horizon torched with kerosene.
This other now coming,
coming closer with the sweet eyes
of new promises,
or green lies?