

SAND AND FOAM

Donovan

THE SUN WAS GOING DOWN BEHIND A TATTOO TREE
AND THE SIMPLE ACT OF AN OAR'S STROKE PUT DIAMONDS IN THE SEA
AND ALL BECAUSE OF THE PHOSPHORUS THERE IN QUANTITY
AS I DUG YOU DIGGING ME IN MEXICO

THERE IN THE VALLEY OF SCORPIO BENEATH THE CROSS OF JADE
SMOKING ON A SEASHELL PIPE THE GYPSIES HAD MADE
WE SAT AND WE DREAMED AWHILE OF SMUGGLERS BRINGING WINE
THAT CRYSTAL-THOUGHT TIME IN MEXICO

SITTING IN A CHAIR OF BAMBOO SIPPING GRENADINE
STRAINING MY EYES FOR A SURFACING SUBMARINE
KINGDOMS OF ANTS WALK ACROSS MY FEET
I'M A-SHAKING IN MY SEAT IN MEXICO

GRASSHOPPERS CREAKING IN THE VELVET JUNGLE NIGHT
MICROSCOPIC CIRCLES IN THE FLUID OF MY SIGHT
WATCHING A BLACK-EYED NATIVE GIRL CUT AND TRIM THE LAMP
VALENTINO VAMP IN MEXICO

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