

AS IT SHOULD BE AND OTHER POEM

By Ayaz Daryl Nielsen

a melodious voice from the reeds

as I happen to pause nearby

and, fortunately, knowing

nothing enough about anything,

I listen as it whispers,

“everything is ready, every-

thing is as it should be” . . .

standing here awhile,

smiling, knowing I’ll need

to write this down

CARRION WAR CROW

crow, cawing all morning,

all afternoon, too

damn crow

you’re driving us crazy

you’re scaring us, crow

and I will yell at you

yes, you, crow

yell at you all afternoon

and if you won't leave

I will yell at you

all evening, too

and I pray, crow, I pray

you will, you can

fly away, far away,

harbinger, yes, you

harbinger carrion crow

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