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### LANDSCAPE: the marble game

the new mtns rise  
tumble & race for the blue-orange sky  
no longer brown/or black/the sky starts to separate  
after the MESS/remember that MESS  
the earth heals/i always knew it would  
the waters revive/the terrible times/gone  
the black rain dissipated/all thats left is . . .  
marbles/black marbles  
they cover the new world/its wild & rough hewn  
everything turned upside down  
the biggest bar-room brawl of all  
furniture covered in moss sprouts bright green life  
broken glass shines all day long & breaks down in the  
rains  
into sand/the walls long opened hands that seem to  
pray to the keeper in the sky/trust me trust me again  
there is only one rule in this no horse landscape  
dont pick up the marbles/the black marbles  
they contain bad memories  
they will eat you alive/always remember that  
that one rule: now start over.

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