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so this nuthatch

this nuthatch
perched briefly on the windowsill
just inches away isn't a message
it's just itself so just what is
this nuthatch out there among
everything else this nuthatch
like everything else is such
an instance of intersecting cycles
of air, water, carbon, light of
that which exists through itself
just minding on the part of the whole
its own incorporated business
of rhythms of rhythms of rhythms

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