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Awe

Awe is the tale of the three dead letters of the English language: Thorn, Eth, and AE (pronounced ----). The teller of these stories, for there are more than one, is an old cat (O/C) with the sad excuse of a story tale, er, tail; and a mess of other possible tails and worlds (that is), a mess of If(f)s; both blissful and broken by the sheer, immense particularity of it all; and so he glows in the dark. A wise cat among wonders. A cat who challenges all tails but his own....

“... What Wellman does best [is] approach the mystery of things without succumbing to the mute darkness.

— Charles McNulty

“... Wellman is our latter-day Brecht, providing the Verfremdung, the ‘making strange’ that makes us see what has been before us all along.

— Majorie Perloff

“... He is James Joyce reborn as a rap artist.

— Mel Gussow, New York Times

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