POEMS FROM JM AVRIL'S TALES OF ANARCHY

WINE PRESSES

Dear grand dad,

I don't want

To inject the syringe

And therefore shut

The lawless up,

Future anarchists.

The accursed doctor

And his blue ink

Have given the night

To the casualties,

To the nervous suicide.

It is the supply of death.

The hangman with the needle

I don't want to be.

The great sequestration

Is horrible torture

For me miserable

In the sand pit.

As a child I wrote But the kids played In the fateful sand pit. My guilty jealousy because of you, parents, You baby-batterers ...

... Turned into alienation When you allowed me To join the children; My emptiness is not bogus, I became demented In the mental night.

And the corpses injected

With detested blue ink

Are like grapes

Horribly ground

In the wine presses

They want to put me into.

Wishing to send me to the army They would have killed me, With the help of the blue ink

And I see the bloody

Wine presses,

Governmental destiny.

GRANDFATHER CLOCKS

The wood-made coffin Is mechanical in its own inside. There are springs, screws Mechanisms and other technologies.

Wow! To see Time From right to left In perpetual movement Makes me sleepy in remote places.

The box yells its chanting Every hour towards the squire. Sweet mechanised cupboard, I open the door of your envelope.

Grandfather clock mesmerises me And I take the risk To destroy content and container.

Only wooden bits remain.

Oh! pretty formless clock, I contemplate springs and screws And deposit the geranium Next to you. You are a stiff.

THE PRANKSTERS

They come back at tea time,

The pranksters are tired

Of razzia on the eve

Of the great Sleep.

Oh! Give me the key And I will give you forces! Proclaims the numbed prankster Swelling his torso.

But time is at bay For arrive the king's soldiers. The pranksters, in their cauldron Prepare magical anthrax.

They want to blacken the soul Of the lady-less fanatical troops. They succeed in boiling The mixture of becoming.

The pranksters want a melon to turn those rogues Into sad cockroaches Becoming mad upon water lilies.

The pranksters transform Into shapeless jelly,

They had the wrong book,

They were drunk.

THE CLIFF

The cliff upon which

I have

Tried to start

My beautiful project

Of constructing an investment property.

The cliff upon which

I start

The sweet engine

Of the bulldozer mechanical,

Stupid and soldier.

The cliff upon which

I have taken away

Trees, grass, flowers,

Insects and rabbits.

It is now desert and arid.

The cliff upon which

I labour

cracks into a thousand bits.

The ocean welcomes me, death

Liquid for me the profaner.

I AM THE RAVEN BECOMING LUNATIC

I am mechanical ...

Polluting acid

in the modest meninx And, refusing The sublime becoming Of rhyme-less And war-less Songs of stone, I clean my cellar Before sensing the water agglutinating drop-wise On the roads Traced by the very drops, O mystical watercolour. Along the old walls That are not urban-like, I attempt the drowning So that I, insipid, Am re-born encircled with a halo Of a dust-free wisdom; But the informal forms, Living and dishonest, Wash up the bowls Of the becoming of beasts. The metaphysical recollection

Distracts me, the raven

Becoming lunatic

By dint of playing the fool.

THE SUFFOCATED GARDEN

The mystery of tulips Catching an influenza Presages bad news For the master of the place.

Geraniums and roses,

At the dawn of death,

Are inflicted a chemical

Dosage on the body.

There is the gardener, Captain and patriarchal Who, behind the steering-wheel, Is the sorcerer's apprentice.

Take the weed-killers Functioning in the fields, Water the pretty flora

And curse the spell.

Sad flowers now withered

By the insane gardener,

Here is the lament

Sung without constraint.

Nettles and thistle

Punish the little rogue.

Deceased gardener

For suffocated garden.

THE PRETTY YOUNG LADIES

They have grown dreaming of,

The pretty young ladies,

The charming princely fools,

Sweetnesses non-eternal.

They listen to the story-teller, The pretty young ladies.

Devastating the prankster

Is for them sad news.

They hear the distant gallop, The pretty young ladies, Arrive then the wagons Of a non-sensual wood.

They notice dodgy-looking men, The pretty young ladies. They have very fierce eyes, Mysteries of old alley-ways.

They feel the coming tragedy, The pretty young ladies, They won't be wifely ladies, It is eternal gelatine.

The murderous killing men Take the acidified bodies To breath the essence better .. Those men smell of red wine.

They show grandfather clocks. They put the bodies inside. Towards Venice in Italy Will go all those dead weights.

The men take the old rakes To plough their virile skulls, Thinking they are great heroes, And pass away near the donkeys.

Remain then the wooden wagons Motionless without the captain. The asses in the fountain Have become idiot and fool.

DEPARTING TO RETURN

Winding torrent I come to the footbridge, And I discover the Fair girl In the fire.

In the fire And holding the flame, The fair girl Possesses the knots.

The cosmic structure

Incarnate in Eve

Call upon the mosquitoes

To re-integrate the Sap.

The Sap is in the Self

Of my laws.

None is to be retained ...

Departing to return.