

Tariff Happy

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Be subversive in your chores.
Knock at the door of indecency and demand to be let in.
Factor in your final calculations the weight of longing among the self-assured.
Do not fob off.
Keep a second set of books for Raphael.
Inculcate imprudence.
Wash with emotion, then with good soap.
Expose those for whom freedom is greed.
Scour the future so as to inure it.
Keep lists.
Change the air in your protocol every time you crave a tattoo.
Lock your knees at funerals.
Hands off the secret levers of the world.
Watch out for the kids of Narcissus.

