

# Ancestry.comedy

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I know enough of my ancestry  
to know I just don't care.  
Mostly England, some Scotland,  
Ireland, and Wales.  
A smidgen of the Netherlands  
with doubtless a little France  
and Germany- Europe smudges  
across itself, shamelessly,  
in search of wealth and safety.

Wherever my predecessors were,  
all paths converge on Africa  
and Eden, and the fall from animal grace  
into the mess that is the human,  
twenty-first century, and all fucked up.

