Reconciliation Trilogy

Civilize

The myth of civilizing
a land already civil . . .

The term civilization brings
about much imagination,
civilization; a figment of creation.

To rationalize & idealize
--denying the real reality—
to civilize, as seen
only through your self entitled
morality; makes me cry.
Self-righteous demons
have a tendency to be only
about who they see;
& they don't see me.

Their silent greed,
determines how they think things
should be. But
they never looked past
their growing nose. To see that their
ideas about civilization,

differ significantly
from those of my People.

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If you came
to a new place
--because the old
place just wasn't doing
it for you-- seeking a different way of living. Why
did, all that you
had despaired & feared
causing you to flee,
stick like a slug as you crossed the sea;
why were you unable, to change face?
You ended up just doing the same thing,

When confronted by an ancient way of life, which presented as a threat --for whatever reason--you became what you left.

To me I closed my eyes & refused to imagine, the evil you manifested.

bringing barbaric insensitivity,

to a land of grace.

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Why didn't I visualize
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that my way of life,

was really at risk of terminated existence.

Bring back the drums,

let me show you myself.

Put away your past &

we'll put aside our—rage & indignation.

Let me resolve how you have scarred my land.

Power lines through my front window.

Damns flooding mother earth, smothering everything that's there.

Your thoughts thrust upon an ancient race,

challenging our wisdom with your power & your prayer.

Let's put it aside so you can learn

what you missed;

by pushing enforced entitlement

instead of enlightenment.

What is confronting me,

--to reconcile your intrusion--

is my ancient wisdom

looking through a molasses mass,

of suspicion.

My life back-- it never left--

you only thought you could screw

it away into a hole-- scarring the earth--

covering it up, pretending it never existed.

Now, with this—your-- new found understanding, found in the natural college of our timeless knowledge. . . we can accommodate-- you. So that I can step out into the sun & give thanks without getting anxious, I'm gonna get hung.

That there is
no end & I
don't have to believe
in your God, to guarantee
a blissful hallelujah, following
this existence.

Now I can see, there is no beginning or end to you or to me, just forever & that's the way it will be.

I will never know

Civilization

Until we can all exist-- equally.

Residential School

Sheer terror

flows like a river,

through trembling little girl eyes.

An unrepentant door throws a robed shadow, against the distant night wall.

A sliver of light, passes through

her little girl fingers, shielding her little girl eyes.

Lying in bed. . . shaking in fright.

Rustling garments, dangling crucifixes, black dead eyes come into the dark dormitory room.

A ghostly glide approaches.

Shsssh Shsssh... gaudy rings-- pressed to priestly-- wine stained-- lips.

Trembling

shaking

a small trickle of urine yellowing her little girl sheet.

Perversely plump-- tobacco stained-- fingertips,
reaching down
touching her little girl mouth,

-- sour smelling-- silencing. . .

--- A priestly hiss---

A lifted robe-- revealing an irreverently engorged erect aberration-- hovering above the little girl; as a grotesque apparition.

His sweaty grip grabs the back of her little girl head,

forcing her down, an auger pushing

---Down---

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---Down---

Breathless little girl screams,

silenced by dread.

Fires from hell fracturing her little girl being,

she leaves this temporal plain--- into the realm of primeval pain.

Like a pumpjack

Sliding

Slipping

Stretching

a sharp-edged sword numbing little girl gums.

Pounding little girl throat. . .

pain

terror.

An eternity later the holy eruption.

Bellowing for God's forgiveness. The Priests head thrust back in heavenly groans.

Eternal damnation throbbing through--- his sanctimonious bones.

Priestly clammy hand, clutching phantom clumps of raven black stubble. The demons of desire pulsating through priestly blood.

The built-up lust of denial, bursting forth, flooding the tongue of the little girl.

Cum-drenching little girl lips,

dripping down the small child's chin,
sickening, silky white,
snaking, slithering, slushing-- lava like-- out of little girl mouth.

His sweating palm releases his gruesome grip,

ancient relief

penetrating his priestly veins,
a searing sigh only remains.

The monster he is

off to pray. Crying dry tormenting tears,

down on his knees, screaming-- My God Why--

A blackened blackness settles in.

The little girl curls tight,
squeezing herself into a terrified ball,
soft whimpering sobs,

a shroud of evil blankets all. . .

Self Portrait *

I painted you, are you me,
what do you see, do you see me;
are you displeased-- the artist reflected . . .
at what he's come to be.

Conqueror's trinkets adorn me,

from my neck,

peacock feathers

poking up from my head,

now I sit & reflect.

Looking at me,
the portrait I have just painted,
tricksters turning my mind
a caricature is
what I find.

This is not me,
this is what they will see . . .
thinking they see me.

Land, sea & sky look about, what do you see. . . now look at it all through me.

It is not my way for a beginning & an end no matter what your god's been known to say, I am of & beyond this earthly space; look deep into my face.

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You brought your time here into my place,
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-- mayhem chaos strife

ensued--

look at me, can you not see

the holocaust you've wrought.

See through me, my vision stretches from here to beyond the sea . . .

Forgive me my friend, it's not my view to offend,

for my hate it's not to late. Come walk with me,

you will * * see.

The artist replaces

his brush & brushes his brow.

His portrait is done, he's painted himself into immortality,

now hanging in the gallery

for all to see.

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Place--- Vancouver Art Gallery

Date- Nov/2017

Title--- Self Portrait

Painted---1870's

Artist--- Zacharie Vincent

Born--- 1815 Died---1886

Background--- Huron Chief, lived north of Quebec City. Classically trained.