

BACKING DOWN

All right I'll unsay them ravel or
unravel my rows of neat stitches
rub out the whole drawing line by line
 until there is nothing
left of what I meant to say All right
I meant nothing in particular
and by undoing the general too
 until there is nothing
of that either which is just as well
when was the general any good
I'll erase even the blank spaces
 until there is nothing
where to all intents and purposes
there was nothing anyway All right
there was but I won't remember it
 until there is nothing
no intent no purpose and no good
perhaps when it is all gone All right
only then taken out of our hands
 until there is nothing
we may discover what comes instead
the god comes call it coming there are
no words All right no words the god comes
 because there is nothing.