thin snow falling in an empty bell lighting that chair could I turn at all now should I kneel and no door anywhere

## SURF-CASTING

It has to be the end of the day the hour of one star the beach has to be a naked slab

and you have to have practised a long time with the last moments of fish sending them to look for the middle of the sea until your fingers can play back whole voyages

then you send out one of your toes for bait hoping it's the right evening

you have ten chances

the moon rises from the surf your hands listen if only the great Foot is running

if only it will strike and you can bring it to shore

in two strides it will take you to the emperor's palace stamp stamp the gates will open he will present you with half of his kingdom and his only daughter

and the next night you will come back to fish for the Hand