Babylon

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I am a temporary refugee in Babylon

Temporary stretches like nylon

The hair is growing for the third time and is getting into the eyes I don't see anything, I don't see anyone, I don't want anything

Freudian slips,

Languages/tongues like snakes on the Gorgons' head,

spread out in all directions

The teacher takes the chalk,

writes: "I am the illegitimate son of Sancho III, in fact, the first

king of Aragon"

I am among all, something small, but spreading like the prophets,

Growing like a tumour

Only benign and

Flowing

Like everything temporary.

Like everything that is counted together.

Let's go our separate ways already.

A small helicopter will fly over and poison with gas.

I will braid my snakes in a rococo hairdo,

In a rush I'll get confused-fused, get lost,

I'll forget all... I will lose... The tower will crack -

And everything will scatter with icicles to Kay,

Who will all his life try to compile "eternity" out of them,

While I hiccup -

LAVRENCHUK

In my icy chest and neck, -And through the demolished tower of languages Of my already defunct head -He'll contemplate stupefied Open sky and memory

About the Babylon.

