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English

Just checking: Oxford is reported –
I did not count them –
to include 171,476 words
in current use –
plus 47, 156 quite often delightful
but elected to be obsolete

My attention has gone
to where they've been drawn

Duncan understands that angels will come
when you summon them and
when you have lain with superlative practitioners
you arise reborn
and the music you seek finds you
in the sweetest of places

Olson understands particle physics
as proprioception propels
the soul's energy

Allen understands that incantation pierces
the walls of the shul and transforms
the heart's neurology with the song
of heaven's vibration
the undeniable rhythm of liberation
how cosmic energies can be called upon
to marry

Bob C
understands how
to stitch
the mind
the heart
the nerve ends
so delicately
the needle
moves to and fro
invisibly

Snyder tracks gravity
by and then beyond
the senses

granite and moss
mountains and trees
glacial freshet
sources of light

Among them – I intuit –
they have invested 16,785 of the
words now known and
at least 951 of those
considered obsolete

Higher math cannot calculate
the combinations done

As forever, we mortals are abandoned
to contemplate where our dreams will go
with what words we have for them

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