

## Adam Siegel

Recitations I - IV

I
They were spying on you in the canyon I heard
That was when there were still other girls in there
They kept it out of our "sequestration"
I pretended I could not see it

To feign blindness was everything to me It was the girls' equivalent

II
As they behaved themselves I thought
The empress serene so distended
It was not for the sour and gentle
The meal I prepared as they hovered

In canceled persuasion the girls left it open This they did solely to further advantage I wanted it to close down I wanted it finished La chose I smelled it One would glide

Above the carpet that was when they were Listening to me thieves dogs yes

III

All of them frozen or freezing or worse Every recording a document oder umgekehrt I said They were self-conscious enough to believe me To see me down in there yes so justify me

Scarlet the clothes I wore The crown atop it all I warned them The chief's admonition Something I wore and wore and wore

ΙV

They put together in the street and The expectation came It was that I could Well service it Pewter and silver They called to me I would sit before

Gorging and suffering the grease and its sheen Everywhere on my face My face in that light Suffering Pretending that the captain stepped Forward To remove it To keep it well clean