COME NAKED •

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forget your pajamas
your toothbrush, boots
thermal underwear
wool socks, fur-lined parka
ice axe, goggles, and gloves.
Come as you are.
Abandon passport
visa, maps, and compass.
Quit the voice that drags
its feet along pavement.
Come naked. Bring nothing
but your pen as your guide.
Ride your words bravely
into those empty fields of white.
Ride them home.