**TELEX**

God I remember the days:

Clanking the steel mouthpiece.

Clanking the auto poem:

Language of the Teletype, the telegram.

The demand of the sound

Insistent unsound demand.

The machine spits noise:

Urgent instructions; urgent

Sometimes nothing

Import.

Just a clatter of craic.

Which means in Irish

Not of the bone;

But of the speech.

Not the chatter of the machine

But the clatter of the thoughts.

The machine redundant:

We go on