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## lowan and Avocado

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*( Iowan and Avocado )*

Grocery stores, Iowan, super  
markets super! are such  
spectacular things:

leveled light, concision, spectacles  
of illumination,  
testaments of

disinfection. Pregnant woman,  
just as clean and heavy.  
Daily stocked. Like the

reliable presentation of  
avocados. Have you,  
Iowan, perceived

the avocado? I would want you to say  
they are a food most earthy, dense fat,  
Iowan, fat

un-fractured, without that pesky  
fractal. Alligator  
pears. Fruit and flesh.

Though neither and, biologically,  
a berry. Did I  
did I, remind me

Iowan, did I tell you of my  
friend, of her hands? She said they  
in every sense

were changed: structurally, heft, even their  
exterior moisture; she said  
they were no longer

hands. Then what could they have been,  
Iowan? She couldn't  
postulate but instead

negate, say what wasn't. When I was  
younger, I peeled baseballs.  
Fibrous wool and

22 rubber. Also cotton followed by center,  
M corked cherry pit. I'm certain  
a you, Iowan, did not.

c You tossed baseballs and caught them,  
f your hands extensions of strength, all  
i bicep and scapula. Hands  
e

are either this, extensions of the carnal  
of lift, or of prodding,  
thought:

sequestered curiosity. Like  
have you, Iowan, held,  
ever, the shell

of an avocado against  
the husk of a baseball? Are there  
similarities?

Such are the questions, Iowan, like would you  
dismantle me? Can you? I  
would like it if

you could take me apart, Iowan.  
I would love you more. You've been

always only a bed,

place to settle in, clasped palm. Brightly  
dismember me, Iowan,  
piece by piece. Lay my

fractures on a table, Iowan. Then  
poke my components. Splintering which  
makes us, Iowan, reminds

that examination is  
an obligation  
required; even in a bed don't

be such a bed, Iowan, an aisle  
in the market after  
close, the fruit bin

teemed by avocados, too  
tenebrous, too broad.  
Just show me, in single

functions, Iowan, functionality  
spectacular for  
its terminals.

And light. For example, Iowan,  
show something indexed, clean,  
Iowan, in logic:

the butter fruit, palta, and explicitly  
its interior, skins of pale, inside:  
a sand-papered egg.