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Little tyrant

bluejay shrills his hawk cry  
juncoes and pine-siskins scatter

bluejay descends  
on seed-covered snow

feasts as if  
a table for one

as if this god  
behind the glass  
binoculars ready

did not himself cry  
"suffer the little juncoes  
to come unto me"

and

"let whichsoever pine-siskin  
who wishes to come  
come"

and yet he loves  
bluejay

and wills him  
sister Emily's  
immortality.

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