## **The Cruelest Year**

## Assemblage 23

The cruelest year Stole lives too young And many more still In the balance hung

We couldn't breath Try as we might Fragile as feedback Hopeless as the night

But the course has run The damage done The slate wiped clean again

The cruelest year Tore loves apart Its greedy fingers Rending blameless hearts

This empty space Where once loved dwelled Razed to foundations Left an empty shell

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The cruelest year Left us behind The mangled wreckage Of our lives entwined

We bore the scares Mistakes we made The walking wounded In a grim parade

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