The Slight Hearing Loss

The slight hearing loss
we each suffer from
means we sometimes
fail to catch the sense
of ends of sentences

but what we do not fail
to grasp and gasp at are the
vertiginous moments
of all this passion stuff -
like the fat magpie
balancing on the phone wire
outside the window:
of course it's going to fall
and of course it doesn't.

Hamish Whyte, 'The slight hearing loss'

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