

East Asian Studies

The self disappears.
Provinces unmappable
become legible.

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Go back to China
awakens only Buddhas.
All of us will go.

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Renunciation
has drawn pilgrims forever,
witnessed by rivers.

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Pronunciations
learn to inhabit a mouth
brought up in the South.

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Why did you come *here*?
the cabdriver gaped, en route
to the brick compound.

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My mother's city.
My father's town, with mountains.
Homes not yet torn down.