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Bomb Nostalgia

at 21 gin Fizzed
a Country tourists

are about to Discover
a Window on the back

wall framed the Bridge
a Kazan on Brooklyn view

planes shuttle Us
home from Work

trips all Cities are full of
secrets from The sky

and even The Who
can't outbid The

Rolling Stones rider
cash on the barrel

Head a downpayment
accrued Through loaded

dice take Your chips off
the table Before the

croupier wises Up
grunge turns Passé

creative differences
when the drugs dry up

narrative's DikTats
make unlikelihoods contract

my Ego writes
another check

My body can't cash

Liam Ferney's most recent collection is *Hot Take*. His previous collection, *Content*, was shortlisted for the Prime Minister's Literary Award and the Judith Wright Calanthe Award. His other books

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