Atrophy

The Antlers

You've been living awhile in the front of my skull, making orde rs. You've been writing me rules, shrinking maps, redrawing bor ders. Ive been repeating your speeches but the audience just do esn't follow. Because I'm leaving out words, punctuation and it sounds pretty hollow. Ive been living in bed because now you t ell me to sleep. Ive been hiding my voice and my face and you d ecide when I eat. In your dreams I'm a criminal, horrible, slee ping around. While you're awake, I'm impossible, constantly let ting you down.

Little porcelain figurines, glass bullets you shoot at the wall . Threats of castration for crimes you imagine when I miss your call. With the bite of the teeth of that ring on my finger, I' m bound to your bedside, your eulogy singer. I'd happily take a ll those bullets inside you and put them inside of my self.

"Some one, oh anyone, Tell me how to stop this. She's screaming , expiring and I'm her only witness. I'm freezing, infected, an d rigid in that room insider her. No one's gonna come as long a s I lay still in bed beside her."