Owls

The Handsome Family

The blue house at the corner Of twilight instinct Four stories floor in Terrence Floors of wood parquet

And now so many owls Snowy, horned and screech Thousands of owls All flapping their wings

How I love the marble staircase The claw footed tubs The room of rare orchids The glass hall for my guns

Statue the pharaohs 20 feet tall Crystal chandeliers Rare paintings of clowns

But we have so many owls I'm never alone The owls make this blue house A home

How peaceful it is To watch them soar Through the palm tree ballroom With its gold panel doors

And as I sit by the fire And slip off my boots They purge all harpoons And the stuffed heads of moose

The apothecary closet Is like my shelves But deeper than expected And slammed it as well

How long have I been here? Searching for my pills As the ceiling grows upward And the walls start to swell

Oh the owls, the owls With their feathers of silk The owls, they mock me And have stolen my pills

But the owls, the owls With their shiny green eyes The owls, they will save me If not today, then tonight