

## Coming and Going

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desperate screams  
through the block  
led me to the unit below,  
other tenants  
already at the door

so beside herself was  
our hysterical neighbour  
she was unable to open  
her front door,  
our urging only intensified her  
screaming so i assisted an agile  
female tenant thru the window  
with strict instructions  
no matter what she saw/confronted  
to come straight to the door,  
which she did

the elderly woman continued  
screaming, "help, mamma, mamma!"  
a strange exhortation  
for a older woman, i thought  
but hysterical desperation  
knows no sense

her husband was lying on the bedroom floor  
convulsing, urinating in his pants  
and frothing slightly at the mouth  
"call emergency, ambulance,  
say heart attack," tho i wasn't sure,  
but i knew they responded faster  
to heart emergencies

he was in bad shape,  
i looked at the others  
no-one seemed to know  
what to do but wait for help  
not good enough in the circumstances,  
"who knows CPR?" i blurted  
silence and blank faces was the response

the agile girl was massaging his chest  
it appeared ineffective

something odd occurred,  
i crouched down pushed her hands  
away placed my right hand over his heart  
turned my head over my left shoulder  
and 'left'

i stayed away until i felt a jolt  
i turned back in time to see him abruptly  
return, open his eyes and lock onto mine  
he was still in shock but he was back  
in his body

he returned when i left  
then i returned,  
a strange coming and going

i held my hand over his heart  
a little longer then instructed  
the girl to continue massaging

at that point the ambos walked in,  
"he had a fit," i said, he's still very shaky  
the old man's eyes were still locked onto mine,  
he wasn't quite conscious tho he was back

a new blood pressure drug  
irresponsibly pushed by big pharma  
was the culprit, half of Sydney on  
those pills had fits but do u suppose  
the drug company was held accountable  
for their negligence and the serious harm  
they caused?  
not likely,  
mega-corporations hide behind their  
bought politicians at these  
times

Frank Lowy, the same 9/11 Lowy  
rang PM, John 'aluminium tubing' Howard,  
to save him from a major tax fraud  
investigation --  
the media had released the details  
the case was damning for Zionist  
and former Mossad agent, Lowy;

the investigation was dropped,  
thanks, John.

Howard's protégé, Tony Abbott,  
is now PM,  
it promises to be an unpleasant  
but eventful tenure

[politicians come at bargain prices these days]

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