

Lac Le Jeune Concert

wander through the meadow
a cool June day
stillness awakes with
sextet or octet
of unknown birds (not a birder)
although loon and redwing blackbird
obvious as grandchild's ABC book

first bird - six short rotations
of a short radius metal crank
needing oil
spontaneous starts and stops
joined by second - a short burst screen door creak
with audible exhale completion
a two note bottle whistle chimes in
and from another direction
the mid-note of a panpipe
round out with a retracting vacuum cord
an electric horn with power draining
and the fading sound of a
hockey card on a bicycle spoke

the interlude a trio of
a black hairy bumbler on a low roll
the fly with no end of buzz
and a mosquito with high notes
for a hand waving break

before the octet returns
caw caw caw
the conducting crow
signals intermission
so we grab a bench
and wait
for the players to return.