Fig. 6a
Disposable Personal Income (DPI)

DPI - The amount individuals actually have available for spending
DPI = PI - personal income taxes

silent sea. Their tongues

Fig. 6b

PI
work the boy

PERSONAL INCOME TAXES
blood-letting gets so big that the name they named disappears

his sex is sound
GOVERNMENT
inside. Missing

DPI
blue. I

a splintered field froze onto his face.

the bed. Nothing
HOUSEHOLDS
single beds gave us everything in shadow

SAVING
control. If

an act of war. We stand in a field

PERSONAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE
“The capital, however, that is acquired to any country by commerce and manufactures is all a very precarious and uncertain possession till some part of it has been secured and realized in the cultivation and improvement of its lands.”

Silent seas
tongue
bedshadows
and sound
until we
disappear
into a splintered
field
uncertain
of our possessions.
Manufactured memories
cultivate
landscapes
for a blood-letting:
siloes emptied of corn, a supply curving underneath grass, flashlights breaking branches
breaking light, a thick beard hiding the merchant’s intent, ethertide washing out margins,
capital carrying citizens into tiny bedrooms, names no longer naming names naming nothing,
whole tones halving into something more affordable, language overflowing with seagrass and
water-babies,
an act
of war
in a field where conservation
ends.

“A merchant, it has been said very properly, is not necessarily the citizen of any particular country. It is in a great measure indifferent to him from what place he carries on his trade; and a very trifling disgust will make him remove his capital, and together with it all the industry which it supports, from one country to another.”

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5 Beginning and ending quotations from Adam Smith’s *An Inquiry into the Nature And Causes of the Wealth of Nations*, Book 3, Chapter IV.