at times when angry, the feelings in my head, the ever increasing feeling of wishing I were dead, one more word to poison my thoughts of

## suicide

while laying on my bed. the way of feeling of myself in prison

michael cadman

## **URBAN FOX**

The shy retiring vagabond no more,
His ventures now begin afore the dark,
Where once he was a shadow, now his spoor
And gambols can be seen about the park.
He runs astride the brick walls like a cat,
And noses like an urchin in my bin,
Unflustered, urban fox knows where he's at,
He has no imitator, and no twin.
Almost a dog, yet more so, none can tame
This free-spirited new-found city slick,
The rules have changed, so now he'll play our game,
And he's adapting to it mighty quick'.
Rich pickings can be found in his new den
If he can but lose his contempt of men.

Alexander Baron



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## BIRD

Within these walls lie scant rewards for sinning. The Leveller has reaped his toil of each, Dice players all, the lure of promised winning Is honoured here, but only in the breach.

The junkie writhing in fits of cold turkey, Expunging sleep for both men in his cell, "Never again!" he swears this habit murky Will turn his life into a living hell.

Such promises he knows are made for breaking, As do the burglar and the petty thief.
Each man will give his solemn undertaking, And each in turn will come to further grief.

The pusher and the con man and the kiter, The vagrant and the drunkard also-ran, Some do their bird with heavy heart, some lighter, And some do life on the instalment plan.

Alexander Baron

the Big Bang or MAYbe...

i once saw a shooting and captured it on film,
My Artist impression of a Global Boom.
But if i were to make it so,
WHAT would happen then?
No one would ever know
BECAUSE we'd all be dead michael cadman