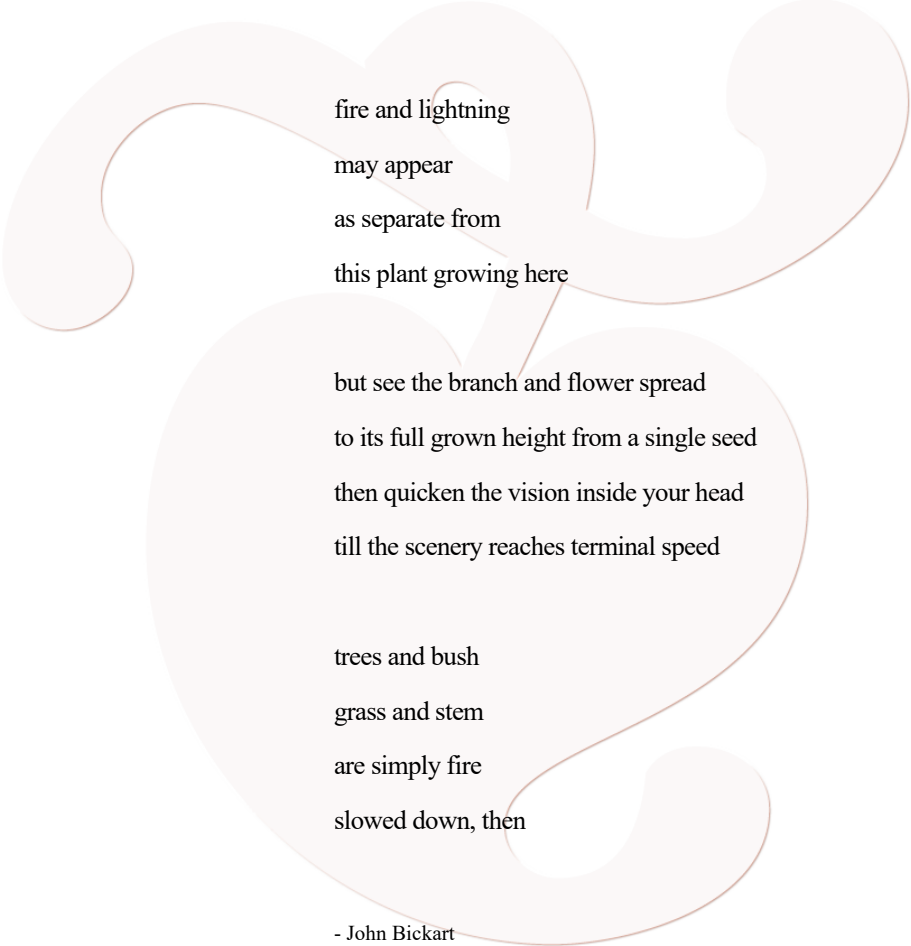


Quickening



fire and lightning
may appear
as separate from
this plant growing here

but see the branch and flower spread
to its full grown height from a single seed
then quicken the vision inside your head
till the scenery reaches terminal speed

trees and bush
grass and stem
are simply fire
slowed down, then

- John Bickart