

# Mobilized

Laurinda Lind

Let's hope Cape Breton wasn't kidding  
when they said we could move there  
from this side if things got crazy scary.

.  
The ones who shout hardest hardly  
ever have it right, since such small  
gods surge from somewhere far

.  
back in the night. Light fills space  
as it can. Dark does the same,  
and the space is a brain. Attackers

.  
were attacked, so now their best  
work is done behind walls where  
whoever they ruin won't clutter up

.  
the compound. They can't see what  
runs loose in the reaping, or that  
meanness won't mend them.

.  
Neither will screaming. An entire country  
standing up in arms out in the street,  
straight in the path of the storm.

Laurinda Lind lives in New York's North Country. Her poems have appeared in numerous literary and poetry publications. In 2018, she won first place in both the Keats-Shelley Prize for adult poetry and the New York State Fair poetry competition.

# fifth Estate

Laurinda Lind  
Mobilized

<https://www.fiftheestate.org/archive/403-spring-2019/mobilized>  
Fifth Estate #403, Spring 2019

**[fiftheestate.anarchistlibraries.net](https://www.fiftheestate.org)**