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AMPLITUDE - TOM SINDEN
FOR MATT SOWERBY & ELLIE DE SATGE

THAT WEEKEND MADE CLEAR TO ME
THE JEWEL'S SURFACE.

YOU FEEL IT SOMETIMES, RIGHT?
THE RIGIDITY OF INTERSECTING ANGLES,
THE BINDING OF HEAT, BEER, RAIN,
THUNDER, TRANS JOY AND CHURCHES INTO
A TYPEWRITTEN FULL-STOP. CONVERGENCES
COMPRESS THE CARBON OF CAUSALITY, FORM
THE LAPIS OF THE MOMENT. THAT IS HOW
MIRACLES MAKE THEMSELVES, BUT IT TAKES
A WONDERFUL TWO TO PRESS THEIR HANDS
AGAINST THE DIAMOND AND TEACH OTHERS
HOW TO FEEL GOD. POETRY IS ALCHEMICAL.
IT IS HOW MERCURY BECOMES GOLD, HOW
POETS RETURN THE FIRST-TIME FEELING OF
RIVER WATER TO CUMBRIA.