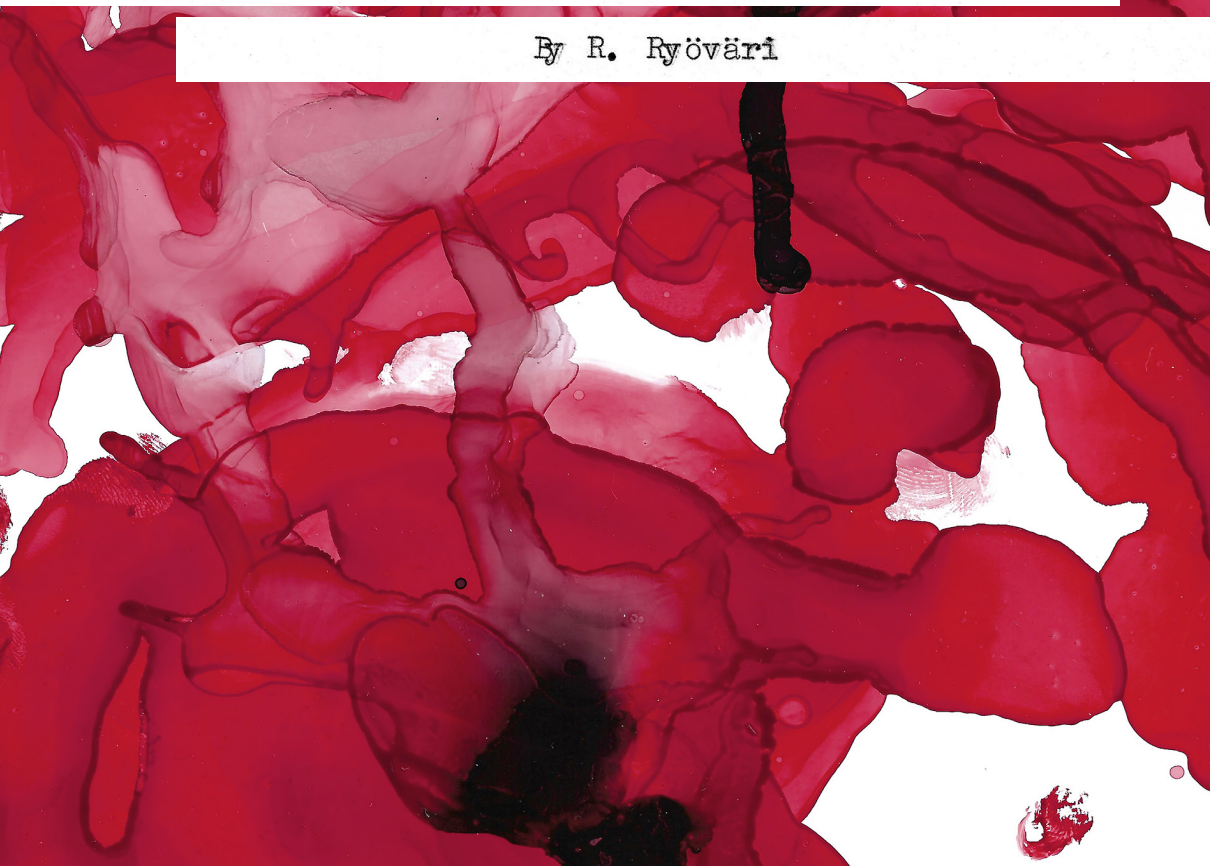




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I
MORE NANCY THAN SID

1. wars are meant to be lost, but battles...

you know it's not too bad
to sit at home alone
boiling eggs or scrubbing the toilet or the floors
or washing linen on a Wednesday afternoon
it is not bad
not fighting and losing wars
they don't like to tell us this but
in war, no one ever really wins
and this took me a long time to get
it is not so bad
just to simply exist.

2. business as usual

I woke up to a bloodcurdling scream
inside my head

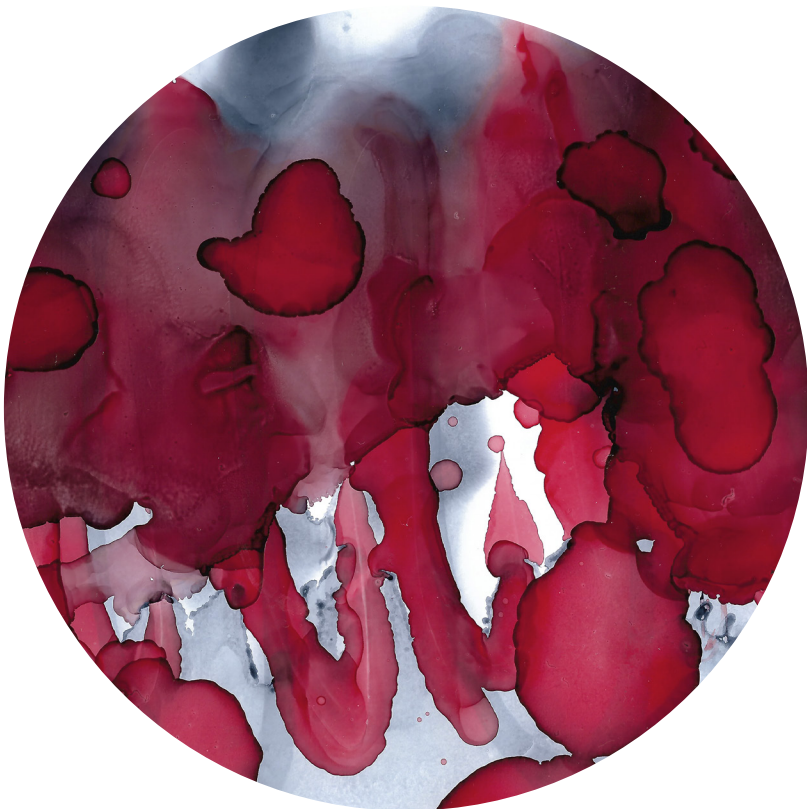
I drank a glass of water and
shook the cold sweats

I looked outside

nothing out of ordinary was happening

the world was still burning

I guess it's just the voices in my head getting louder.



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