

## Civilised

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Freud and Jung  
defined a dichotomy  
at constant war,  
the id and the ego

confronted by a young  
sales girl who took a fancy  
bending forward resting her elbows  
on a display table  
curving her spine in an inverted arc  
which poked her rear skyward  
while gazing fixedly into my eyes

who could miss the primate mating position  
on offer? her body speaking loud and clear

of course my immediate response was to  
shift to her rear, peel her leggings and knickers  
down around her knees and engage her in locked  
sexual embrace but we were in a department store  
and so my response was not physical tho it should have been

the entire action was mental,  
we engaged in superficial  
dialogue about a commercial product  
conforming to the social space/location  
tho my essential nature was roaring like a caged lion  
over this unmistakeable invitation (or tease) while my civilised  
persona repressed my natural reaction

my dialogue became tainted with 'uncivilised' humorous remarks,  
do you fancy men with long hair and goatees or are you always this  
friendly?  
before she could answer, i asked her name, her tag hidden at the  
time as  
she remained in the primate mating position

Rani, she replied, i see, an Indian princess,  
no! a queen, do not demean, she smiled  
my apologies, my Hindi has suffered since i left India  
many years ago,  
ur parents must be hippies, yes they were

her behaviour betraying a paternal fixation --  
i was of her parents' generation,  
my appearance betraying my past

her blue eyes remained tightly focused on mine throughout  
while i swept my gaze over her exposed arms  
one supporting a serpentine tattoo which  
curved across her shoulder and ended around her upper spine,  
nice tatt, i said, tho its phallic symbolism is unmistakable --  
this girl had seen a cock or two dozen

meanwhile my cock was dancing in my pants  
stimulated by her bold body-talk and eyes

O that we were in a forest or natural surroundings  
we could have raged like a mountain river

my id continued to push hard against my persona  
but the odds were against it in the civilised city of Sydney

so i left with my purchase, planned prior to engaging her,  
tho she was offering more than i anticipated and  
seemed happy to continue

i will mention u on my way out so u do not miss ur commission,  
i'll return in the near future tho i never did

it was the repressed response that broke the powerful attraction,  
the id is usually defeated in this context/contest -- fuck it!

nevertheless, the experience remains clear in memory  
forcing its way into my cock (again) and onto this page

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