

# *How Do I Work this Thing?*

Can I explain  
how I raise my arm?

Did I do that?

There was a moment's  
glimpse of knowing  
that the arm should raise  
but no delay  
before the raising.

There might have been a flash  
of deliberation preceding  
the occasion  
of the raising  
but I really didn't think about it  
much.

When it happened  
I had only just completed  
my intent.

I know no switching system  
no web of cables  
no triggerable armatures  
no poise and balance  
of weights and levers  
nor even telekinesis  
on the fleshy mass of arm.

It raised.

I knew it would.

But thinking that I *could*  
is nothing more  
than fantasy.