"Title"

by

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EXT. FARM - DAY

John, 40, haggard, windswept. His eyes are haunted. He is trying not to look at something on the edge of his vision.

JOHN

I know you're there.

There is no sound other than the howl of the wind.

We can almost see, on the edge of John's vision, a figure of a teenage boy.

JOHN

(continuing)

What do you want me to say?

We pull back from John. There is no-one else there. In fact, there is nothing around him at all. He is in an empty, windswept field, high on a hill. We can see for miles across farmland mostly denuded of trees.

INT. TRAIN - DAY

Mary on the train.

EXT. RAILWAY STATION - DAY

John meets Mary at the station.

INT. CAR - DAY

John and Mary heading across the hills.

MARY

It's all gone.

JOHN

What is?

MARY

The forest.

JOHN

Yep. There's still some on the steeper slopes.

MARY

Doesn't it make you sad?

JOHN

Wasn't that the point - opening the land?

MARY

'-to God's unblinking eye.'

He avoids responding.

INT/EXT. CAR - DAY

They approach the farmhouse.

MARY

Oh, my God.

EXT. FLASHBACK TO FRONT GATE - DAY

We see the scene she would have seen on her arrival.

INT. HOUSE - DAY

He prepares a fire.

JOHN

It's gonna get damn cold. You know what it's like up here.

MARY

I thought you would have built a new house by now.

JOHN

Why's that?

MARY

I just thought this place was temporary.

JOHN

Right.

EXT. FARM - EVENING

Mary goes for a walk.

She begins to sense a presence. She panics, rushes back to the house.

ARRIVAL SCENE

 ${ t BILL}$

We're here! We're here!

JOHN

(excited)

WHat?

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We are here!

CALEB

What does that mean?

BILL

I found the survey marks. This is home, son!

Caleb looks around at the forest with growing panic.

CALEB

Home? What do you mean?

BILL

I told you, I found the survey marks!

CALEB

Here? Home? This isn't home. Where the hell have you brought us?

BILL

What were you expecting?

CALEB

Here? Why not there? Or over there? Or back down the track a day or two days, or three fucken days?!

BILL

It's the survey marks, you idiot!

CALEB

This isn't home. This isn't nothin'. You brought us nowhere!

 ${ t BILL}$

We have to build it!

JOHN

It's alright, Dad...

CALEB

You brought us fucken nowhere!

Bill shoves Caleb to the ground.

BILL

You do what I fucken tell you!
Out here, you do what I tell you or you die!