

# A Ruckus Needs To Be Raised, or Caused, or Raised

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Either a ruckus needs to be raised  
Or a ruckus needs to be caused

I began chewing the locks of love  
Off the fences and the gates  
I was so outraged  
At the horrible academic trash

If they had found me doing this  
They would have hauled me away  
And thrown me on the ash heap  
Of what we now call Language

Written on the brass plaques  
And laid to rest like tombstones  
In the sidewalks of downtown

Where only bums are allowed  
To urinate with the grand gesture  
Of utter disdain  
After chewing off the locks  
On the gates to hell

