

Ploy

Four people now produce
the food that in the nineteen thirties ate up the labours of seventy-eight
and those four are still paid the same way:
by the day.

Freud never wrote about 'the ego'
(someone else's translation), it doesn't fit his concept at all.
The ego in German is das Ich.
That is simply the I. I'm going to the shop now
is not my ego is . . .
It's the way I mark myself
grammatically
and when we brush past:
The I is first and foremost a bodily I.

Your sense of your own body –
you can get it shopping
which includes buying money with your labour.
We pay them, we are paid, wages
regardless of the desirability of the production.
It can only get worse.

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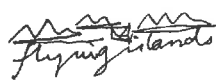
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