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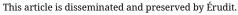
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I saw a blue jay this morning. As I walked past a leafless tree he looked at me asked: 'Spring? Spring?' I shrugged. He shrugged, then yelled. 'Soon. Soon,' then flew off intent on jay business, robbing a nest, bullying a weaker bird, taking off quickly when a robin showed up, just doing what jays do, a typical New Yorker managing to adapt

to an unnatural environment.

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