Cyberpoems: Exploring the Human-Machine Interface

WITHIN THE HIVE:

Some thoughts about swarm consciousness



- *Bill:* Aren't all of us living in a digital hive?
- Gus: Yeah and there's an inherent a danger in that.
- Bill: (raising his eyebrows) How so?
- *Gus:* Hives are usually based on hierarchical structures. If you destroy the central node the 'queen' in most cases the whole colony is subsequently destroyed.
- *Liao:* (putting his teacup down) Ah, it's much easier to destroy things than it is to create them.

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