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Re-Relations

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Some bought so much food, so others could not.

Will I have enough to eat? I'd rather not eat at all than just a little. My mother used to make spam with tinned mushrooms and rice, when she could. The smell of my dog's food sometimes entices me. I was accustomed to source nourishment in unexpected places, way into my 30s. I knew where to look for it, and I was not alone. On the day before lock-down, my friend told me about the schoolgirl he just saw scoffing cold pizza into her mouth at Lidl, and how, wanting to protect her, he blocked the sightline of the security guard who was slowly turning towards them. But he, instead, said, 'don't worry, she comes here often, I am watching, so no one disturbs her'. This is care. This is knowing, by those who know.

As a society, in a way unlike any other, the question is out in the open: what does it mean to consider the lives of others?
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