CONTENTS

List of Figures	viii
Acknowledgments	ix
Introduction:	
The Gravity of Things	1
CHAPTER 1 Cloud Studies:	10
The Visible Invisible	
CHAPTER 2 Pastoral, after History:	36
The Apple Orchard	
CHAPTER 3 Touching Things:	61
"Nutting" and the Standing of Trees	
CHAPTER 4 Composing Sound:	79
The Deaf Dalesman, "The Brothers," and Epitaphic Sig	gns
CHAPTER 5 "Distressful Gift":	94
Talking to the Dead	
CHAPTER 6 The Breath of Life:	114
Wordsworth and the Gravity of Thought	
CHAPTER 7 "On the Very Brink of Vacancy":	128
Things Unbeseen	
CHAPTER 8 Senseless Rocks	150
Notes	177
Index	213