# **History Decides...**

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# **Dedication**

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## **GOAL**

Many claim to have me

As they say, I'm a desired result

But they deny me with faults

They get lost and say we forgot

I demand deep thoughts

There should be determination

To get the mark of my examination

With the mind prepared by inspiration

Keep hitting

Continue digging

To knit me together

And get yourself fit on my way

Only used time pays

At the end point of race

The step-by-step plans

Lead to the promised land

With more blood pumped in

Will put every instrument on the shoulder

Heading to the beautiful shore

All stomachs should be filled

Prepare for the teases

For it is not easy

Remember, success is not the destination

But to have more of me achieved



#### **THAT TUNNEL**

There were cries of joy, sun shining so brightly and everything around was whispering to go outdoors!

Everyone loves summer

Grounds were ready for picnics, sun bathes, sports

Stars were shining for night clubs, birds were dancing

in the green trees, butterflies were sucking Begonia nectar

More sugar was needed in the sugary toffee, summer was ready to

bestow its blessing of warmness

There were longer days for

sugarcanes to give shoots

coffee, tobacco, and cotton were flowering

The work was plenty but the workers were few

In the other end, there were rains

raining cats and dogs wearing white Fedora hats

Missionaries were in white clericals, and black under wears

Praises were given to God upstairs of Cape Coast Castle

where the bloody ones were purified, none was worthy to worship

The Lord gave blessings, blessings of cross marks at the back

That tunnel was dark, full of darkness, in the dark

It looked like funnel, channeled to that direction

In it palm kennel lit fire for light, light only for the Lord

On the way to Dr.Brooke was that tunnel

She stood outside to heal the emotionally sick

Coming from the dungeon, where there was a prison in the prison



#### I'D SEEN

I'd seen

I'd seen the heads under the

Fulani straw hat

I'd seen

I'd seen them wander

through the pathless path

The cold-dry winds blow them

There follow through soiled clothes

Strong harmattan holds the plough

Crops fold their arms

Rocks sound while breaking

Ka-ka-ka like 'Asante Firikyiwa'

Little water in the dark pot

Cooks stones and corm

Cape three points plants lose turgidity

In the 'Land nearest nowhere'

British 1875 lighthouse blinks

There 0 latitude, 0 longitude and 0 altitude

Recommended 'A gingle from Ghana's famine of 77'

To be sang in the whole country again

The starved had nothing, except

Gari, two coconuts and two heptagon pesewa

In the 'Ghana Must Go'

Ants got nothing

From Ante's kitchen

To enjoy in their home

The windows of heaven were opened

and

manna fell from brothers

and

sister in America

What the heptagon pesewa could not afford

In the 983rd year of the 2nd millennium



## A REMINDER, O AFRICA

A reminder, O Africa

Who caused you to surrender?

It's like your people wander

They wonder if they will prosper on their own soil

Because they toil to no avail

A reminder, O Africa

Once you blamed Westerners

And claimed self government now

Hmm your people see penury as a common noun

A reminder, O Africa

The words of Nkrumah

We need an African solution

Unity and a year's resolution

A reminder, O Africa

The words of Haile Selassie

Feel the needs of others more than yours

Hmm...yet the bond to deprive the needy is sealed

When will their good time arrive?

A reminder. O Africa

The words of Kenneth Kaunda

A protected individual is a protected society

Hmm...how the innocent is arrested

A reminder. O Africa

The words of Patrice Lumumba

Independence should be accompanied by economic and social development

Hmm...how you are entangled with man-made epidemics and debt settlement

A reminder, O Africa

The words of Kofi Annan

Women empowerment is an effective tool

Increase girl's education in schools

All girls accessing quality education

Will make a great nation

A reminder, O Africa



The words of Julius Nyerere

Real development means all are involved

Inter-ethnic conflicts resolved

A reminder, O Africa

The words of Jomo Kenyatta

Children may learn about heroes of the past

We should know how to act

To live a legacy

A reminder, O Africa

The words of Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf

Dream big enough

Eventhough it will be tough

A reminder, O Africa

The words of Nelson Mandela

It only seems impossible until it's done

O Africa, you can

Lit the fire and fan

Put away illegal use of gun

Work harder under the sun

A reminder, O Africa

Everything is in your hand

You can



## **ENOCH WAS BORN**

On the 1st of February

Sun stood still

Enoch was born

In the night sky was plentiful bright starts

Esteem the mighty knight

Nana would foster him

Oak, grow and prosper

Cherish good character and be sober

**H**onor all in your story

Abate that habit and say I'm sorry

Blaspheme only the folly, Mama would say

O I remember that purpose

About being steady and focus

Guide me, O Lord

Yes, today and forevermore; and let

Excellence remain my mark



## SO COUNTERPARTS, YOU SEE?

During break

When chalk brakes

Cake was baked

There they bite

Sir sends me by bike

At that time when they were quiet

I looked and there was no teacher in my sight

Even for months

We sat and sang

Managed by two

Mark this and that

That's why I sat for SAT

They came for checks

They saw the desks

Finally nodded and mocked

Counterparts shocked

When I wrote fork for ford

Look at their socks, faults and so forth

At Roman Mission, there we fought

In a day, Monday to Friday

Nay, we shouldn't shout hey and hey

For we, we weed the weeds

And for us, we asked for axe

We're meek and weak in all the weeks,

Shied away before the ace,

Saluted, cheered up and took off our cap

We got the tweaks

To squeak through to the peak

So counterparts, you see?



#### **UIB**

The ocean, lying on the land of possibilities Supplying minds with abilities The ocean, shaking its world with densities Instead of salinity, you infuse capabilities

The satellite, rocketing on elliptic orbit
Shinning brighter like Sirius
The satellite, spotlighting lives
Shinning on your shiny diamonds

The mountain, friending with fountains
Peaking in the center of life
The mountain, reaching its wings for success
Spreading its base to cover the earth

The lighthouse, directing destiny finders Standing on the beautiful Island The lighthouse, blinking 24/7 Standing firm at all cost

Every one feels you from a far distance In the blue skies, you name writes Greatness Magazines have you highlighted

The cardinals; North, South, East and West pay their ovation You grow faster than the finest Leyland In your circles are candles lighting each other Candles of Olympic colors; blue, yellow, black, green and red

In your bosoms, talents glow
Under your pillars, integrity shows
On your ambos stand qualified professors, doctors or lectures



UIB, the valiant

UIB, the salient

UIB, the radiant

"WE GO INTERNATIONAL WITH YOU"



## **OUR GENES ONCE LIVED**

We couldn't bite our teeth
At their sight, we drew skulls on our sheet
And looked through our sheath
Suddenly, we started to lose nerves

Dark darkness frowned on our genes in broad daylight
The base of our trait was blaming no one
Who was to be blamed? DNA or RNA?
Biology lecturer buried his head in the sand

In heredity was the reason found
Our eyes and blood rejected mutation to hound
Our genome showered with tears of blood
Hatred fired his ballistae on our variant
'Memory can be a graveyard'

Our genome was deemed 'undesirable'
'Master race' was the abled
Celebration rituals popped up in bars in the 'Night of Broken Glass'
The 'burnt offering' was accepted and more gas was

Finally, there was the 'Final Solution'
Tutsi, Darfur, Holocaust, Cambodia, ..., the images
Whether genome or exon, DNA or RNA
We are coequal
Justice for all genomes.



## **SEASONING**

In the seasons,

Summer, Autumn, Spring and Winter,

We season saltwater.

Seasoned saltwater;

Works hard and

Commands high price



## **CROWN THE COLONY**

I am Adinkra

Emblem of my soil

A cohort of Polyneoptera

I have different lineages

I raid

I boast of my workers, soldiers, giant males and queens

I live in Cathedral Mound

Mere mound to them

To me, the finest abode

I live in my palace

A golden edifice

I nest in gold

What they called 'Gold Coast'

I form a strong colony

The warm visit of 'The Royal Arms', my tragicomedy

Her mirrors, guns, schnapps and clothes, my stumble stone

I found myself in her fold

Where were the soldiers I boast of

They were cajoled

"Crown the Colony", I heard

Enjoined 'The Royal Arms'

Diadem of opposite meaning

My subjects paid tributes

Falling were my mighty ones

Where were their honor?

The cry of blood

Blood of my soldiers

Adjetey, Odartey and Attipoe

6th March, the faithful day, redeemed me

I was awaken to sleep no more

'The Royal Arms' lost her hold on me

A wand of hope to my sisters

The battle was ended



Glorious Home All Nations Admire

God bless our homeland



## IN MY GENERATION

In my generation, there were many games; ampe, hide and seek, pilolo and

seesaw. You better do chores in haste and prepare to

play. The night dresses in moon light. And fireflies flew here and

there. When it's dark, no one dares. Except bonfire that

flares. After the moon sets and all stories are

said, we lay to rest. Then pops up the

nightmare. In it was a ship that needed an

anchor. On the thirsty waters. Anchor that cut the

aorta of the engines' heart. Circulation

stopped. Oxygenated blood clot. The skeleton of the turbines could be

seen. Total blackout set out. How could we go



out? Benched lanterns got call-up. Their rusted wicks are

oiled. Intestines of the rocks growl. Indeed Volta was

hungry. No food in her pantry. Suddenly, her bed got

exposed. Evaporation was the perpetrator. The nightmare

ended us in dumsor.



## **YOU CRANE WALL?**

I was taught to sit on the wall
But the mighty Jericho wall fall
I saw it roll like a ball
As if it was cut with a saw
A wall that stood so tall?
Rebuild. I mean all in all

Employ the crane
A potential builder
Builder of harmony
Pivot, load and effort, its anatomy
Reality that seems phantomy

Mighty cranes
Your loads dismantle
Innocents seek **refuge**No reason to exclaim **gee!** 

Unbalanced forces
Unequal economies
Different colors
Dissimilar qualities
Interdependent

Back to site mighty cranes
Hang dialogues
Lift relationships and respect
Pick the pieces to build peace
Raise walls and not sides

Now mighty cranes
What are you after?
Why are you after them?



What can you do with them?
Dialogue! Dialogue! Dialogue!
I need my wall back



## 'IT IS FINISHED'

It all started, since we all sinned
And fall short of the glory of God
Blood of bulls and goat no longer cleansed sins
There stood the Prince

The bond was sealed
In His stripes we were healed
His chastisement made us whole
He was bruised for the iniquities of our soul
A ransom on the cross to behold
As sheep, we were astray
The deceiver came to betray

The tomb was empty
It's not about Christianity
It's a relationship
Drawing near to worship

'It's finished'
He has risen
The reason
For our salvation

You were bought with a price
Accept the Savior, Jesus Christ
Glorify God in your body
And praise Him with satisfying melody
He is with us always
To the close of the age



## AT THE ROYAL PALACE

Your Royal Highness,
Your Majesty,
My Lord
Can I explain my cause?
All the allegations are false
But they dragged me here by force
I was acting for peace and concord

Your Royal Highness,
Your Majesty,
My Lord
Your seat is a mark of justice
It was a misuse of lien
Please intervene

Your Royal Highness,
Your Majesty,
My Lord
This confers a right in rem
Take a dim view of it
'Guilty' is your verdict?
All stood in awe when they heard it

Your Royal Highness,
Your Majesty,
My Lord
Abuse, misuse, and neglect
Refuse, induce, and select
Forsake for the sake of the fake
The poor suffers



## AT YOUR SERVICE

At your service, a slave

Though I'm not a slave

It's only a trance

Though I never slept

All can do all things

I shy away

Though I have what it takes

I marvel not at what you are

Though I don't show it in my face

I pay respect

Though I'm rather the good pamphlet

I do my best

Though none is perfect

I blame nature

Though I don't blame

I hold on

Though I have no fame

I'm not a slave. It's a trance



## **LOST IN THE RAIN**

Colorful rainbow circles in the sky
The smiling sun waves bye
Wind sounds like a whistle
Suddenly, the rain drizzles

Heart-shaped butterflies swing on my umbrella
The sweet melody sinks into my umbrella like a colander
Love hits my heart like breezes
Let's meet again with kisses

Stay tune
I follow the rain that Iullabies
I am engrossed in the rhythm
Red Rose stains my heart

The ocean of Tulip caught me
I am in the deep
Where am I?
I am lost in the rain



## **BROKEN MIRROR**

Cracked mirror. Broken mirror.
Formerly reflects and refracts
Now stained with horror
No definite shape, let's say, flat

Observer's eye see virtual images
Same distance, size and upright
'Boom' 'boom' boom' and the carnages
Satellites and flashlights put the mirror in fright

Cracked mirror. Broken mirror.

Drops of blood it bled

Counties and boundaries, all and sundry

For refuge they fled

Mending the cracks, joining the parts
To his early grave the Dove goes
The mirror's heart is pierced with darts
Sighing are the Poles

Mirror with broken sores
Mirror that groans



## **Revered Master Fisher**

Tell them,

That,

Master Fisher journeyed for miles

Through the cactus and acacia farms

They gave him their warm welcome

On the way to the river

Tell them,

That,

He stumbled

On those sharp pebbles by the river

And the honed gravels gave his feet the kiss of his life

Limpets injected the hallux of the healthy man

The kind river treated his horse to ragwort

Tell them,

That,

He dressed his hook

But fingerlings threw party with it

Strong tides beat his trap ashore

School of fish silhouetted in his humble basket

Tell them,

That,

He hooked but venomous

He hooked but drop of water

He wished to be on board

The finest cruises passing by

Tell them,

That.

Sweat laundered his clothes

He grew goosebumps on summer



#### And sunburns on winter

Tell them,

That,

Now that the gold coin bears his name

The flame came from wet flints



## **Letter To The Bivouac**

O that they knew, that armies' mandibles poked a hole in bivouac's eye
When air from nostrils sank into flautists' flute
When ogene's roar floated o'er the scattered nests

O that larvae crawled into white sand like isopods
When little calve drank all ocean's waters
When fishes found no dwellings
Or let's say eels' skin smoothe
Perhaps forlorn figures would rest at home

O that hawk hinted chicks, that mother hen turned cannibal When tasty tunes summoned When all mustered in the same warm bosoms Guerrero would live like jellies

O that bees, ants, butterflies, hailed not the drunk
When new wine brewed
When palace sacrifice a lamb
Cool nights would sleep in dark
Little puppies would not bark at candle lights in dawn dews.



# **Caterpillar In The Green Leaves**

Men cuddle guitar and roll smooth strings in their fingers
Vibrating strings release flying bubbles
Hot chili burns around the fish on the wire gauze
Noses sneeze out the pungency
Hairless caterpillar sits in the green flowers
It enjoys the fresh leaves,
Bore holes in them,
And prunes away the shoots directly underneath the blinking bulb



## **Smiles**

I can't forget smiles
They sink into my heart depths, deeper in miles

I yearn and yearn for them, until it's enough
They heal and get me sealed in love when I laugh

Smiles are contagious,

I want to contract and get sick of them.

Sickness that needs no cure.

Under the sunset will I smiles at the coast

Long enough till the ocean overflows



# I Ask Myself...

I ask myself...

Where do I come from?
From the skies, or from the world that sighs?
When will I be certain?

Centuries to come, or centuries far gone?

So many questions pop up...

Do I need an answer, or daze my mind?

Unsure...unsure...unsure...

I live, I grow
I reap, what was sowed
Yet a lot more to know
Many more to be unfold

Should I quit the curiosity?

If not from where I came from, then where do I come from?

I ask myself...



## **More Of You**

I shiver in my coats
I want to wear *more of you*Four arms on my neck, warm palms on my chest
Nose to nose, lips to lips, chin to chin

There is a fleeting, misty clouds in front of me Hold me tightly Grip me gently

I want to remain...

Sand is falling, rising high above Thatches adorn with white, ... glucose from the sky.



## **Gentle Peacock**

I play see-saw with my gentle peacock
I see, he saw
Spread feathers shimmer hues
Fly us around o'er mountain tops

I say call gentle drops
I hee, he falls
On me speck goose bumps
Cry us around slower like shepherd flocks

I spot eye spots on tail plumes
I sleep, he bores
Handsome trains and blues
Shy us around sober without pop of corks

I ought to sit with my pea Humes
I sip, he straws
All still on the parks
Die us into previous scenes



# **Evening Prayer**

Thy Grace, O God By Faith, For Sure I wont doze I wont sleep I will keep

Thy Face, O God
My Case, For More
A Bulldozer
I wont slumber
I will lumber
Through the forests

Thy Pace, O God My Days, Fulfill I wont tear They dont dare

Thy Race, O God My Place, I want I wont compare A Sycamore I will bear Much In Hundreds



### **PHYSICS CLASS**

It was about charged bodies
Charges art thou
Proton(+) and Electron(-) entities ...
In the circuits.

Negative present, Positive absent, Thou bulbs no dim glow. Positive present, Negative absent, Thou plants no food to grow. Negative present, Positive present, Thou now flow.

Thou entities dwell...

In diff locations.

Thou nuclei house Protons.

Thou shells hold Electrons.

Thou art same quantity.

Proton number, Electron number, equal

Thou charges art all quality.

Cation ...

Thou art made to lose.

Anion ...

Thou art made to gain.

Cation ...

Thy loss, form thee.

Anion ...

Thy gain, form thee.

Cation, Anion, thou wear thy skin. Cation, Anion, thou art integral



# LIFE

Scenes and scenes archive
Night scenes and day scenes
Stack densely in hives
Nightmares drawn on minds
Shape dices to thrive
Pictures, videos, sayings, hearings, called memories
Are recorded on that **very** drive

Hits on skins stamp story scars
Zigzag like spurs
Brick pieces laced by masons
Bit by bit we crave for dozens
Broken pencil stencils brave lessons



# **ELIZABETH II LIVES**

Knights jumped into glowy nights
Rainbow tasted sky's dried tears, falling
on the sowed nickernut marble



# **'Babylon is Falling to Rise No More'**

How sweet...

Sweet fragrance that reigns on sheets

Sheets of my heart

Heart rhythmically beats

Beats to my sensory

Sensory send messages

Messages in pulses

Pulses all over my bodies

How pipes...

Pipes drip all day long

Long enough are the mid-day songs

Songs of Solomon

Solomon and the Queen of Sheba

Sheba of beauties

Beauties of the star

Star after my heart

How loud...

Loud your voice is

Is all for me?

Me is falling

Falling to rise no more.



### **SEDIH DAN DUKA**

Saya lihat
Jiwa yang bersedih dan berduka
Dengan suara kecil dan yang keras
la bergerak ke sana kemari
Maratap terus sampai tidak ada suara

Mata setengah tertutup terlihat pucat la membuka dan menutup Satu-satunya yang dilihat; orang yang kesakitan Semua tubuh menjadi dingin Tulang gemetar

Semua datang dengan kebahagiaan Tapi kebahagiaan berubah menjadi kesedihan Baik yang kuat maupun yang lemah jatuh dalam penyesalan jiwa ...

Bangsa berduka ... Bangsa menangisi jiwa-jiwa yang jatuh Cerita sedih ditulis di dinding emas Kanjuruhan telah memakan; apa yang busuk



### **'Bold to Defend Forever'**

Freedom! The cry of warriors

Blasted out from every mouth of the people

In shorts, fugu and kente

Black stones tattooed in black ambushed

And thrusted the barks of few yellow trees

With wooden spears in the forest

Quarshie's golden gift had started brewing

'Food of the gods' taxed all their strength and lands

Bees pollinate 'Food of the gods'

Honey drips from their toil

"The honey maker only knows the process, except the taste?"

Yes!

Because they are exiled into the city of Babylon during the the jurisdiction of Nebuchadnezzar

Highlife and concert parties

Gingered Yaa to stand bold

Red eyes faced the face of Nyogmo

While atumpan calls Asafo to gather

Mighty ones somersaulted

Now, the coast houses sweet, bitter and sour candies

Webs capture insects, the pollinators

Accipiter hawks make their way through

"The peoples' motto, "Freedom and Justice"

Suffocates under the foot of elephants

The ant is bold to defend forever.



### I'M STANDING

I'm standing in the bright light, fighting to bring the bright light to light.

I'm fighting harder, harder like fighting.

Heightening on the heights, lifting up the valleys,

Pumping the tires, bracing the hiking backpack.

Ready to go!

I look and read; there it flows.

At the fourth floor, all rooftops are moving further to the sky.

It challenges. That's why only the determined holds.



### 'Go Green'

Green means go

Plant more and sow

Sahara is a horse in the race

She jumps pace by pace

Greet a neighbor 'good morning'; far in the haze

Mandingo rumbles as he grazes

Summer waits, Winter runs in haste

Bring, bring, bring; all the faiths

Save, a life, by raking

Support the creepings by staking

Joseph can build bans in Egypt

Jacob comes to buy and amasses his receipt

Green is beautiful

O2 is needed; more than plentiful

Don't be forgetful

Help 'Go Green'



### I Said

#### I said

"I will direct the winds to my side
It blows down the valleys
I won't lie on the carpet that eats my flesh
to be hungry
Before the last piece of my bone bends
over backward"

But

I failed and failed
I fell and fell
on the gallows of the natural world
Deep within,

#### I said

"I regret on my honor

An illusion drawn on people just appear"

But today

It digests in my soul
Thunders of echoing cheers
Set before me seasonal golden kennels
Right in the midst of lighted candles, on
the tongue of my heart,
cools the glucose



# **Trust and Obey**

Trust and obey

Christ, our Lord; say

Be fervent in praising Him

He prepares your banquet; jars overflow their brim

Call onto Him all the time

Fall on your knees or mime

Shepherd is my Lord

Shearer who shears off our fault

Broken hearts He mend

Clothing the nakedness of His dear men

His promises abide; the land of milk and honey

Tis the Lord! The King and Help to the yawny

Steadfast is His love

Get past the fears; set hearts on things above

Trials refine silver

Denials revive. Don't shiver

Trust and obey

Christ is enough. Just pray!



### Let It Be

Let it be,

Because it needs to be.

As flammable as it can be,

As far as you can see,

As simple, as gentle, my plea.

I think we can bleed.

Cut-open like grafting 'T'.

Regret'd, if you be.

Perfect'd, sweet like tea.

Germinat'd love, a young pea.

Sis twist me in your elbow.

Deep inside your browny soul.

Swing side-by-side.

Ring melody into my pipe.

Sing away fallacy, bride.

Do away with late night calls.

For I need them all.

Till the night falls.

Prick me skin out.

Flip me in the bathtub.

See me through the journeys.

Free me with funnies.

Let it be.

Because it needs to be.



# **Go Away**

Uhm! go ... away
The chemistry cracked up grin

When we met on that day
At the bay

Your phrase cripples, Dashes my steps

Let alone your dimples
I'm clutched, crushed, crunched,

And still live
On the same old apnea

The usual walks, talks, and dulcet folk songs you play

Hijacks me in the horizons
I need you near

I die for your presence, so Go far away.



### I Run to Him

I sinned and fall short of His glory

There my soul cried out sorry!

In Him I'm His righteousness

Through the son, my forgiveness

Now justified and glorified

I who was once defiled

For I'm a son of Abraham

As I believe in the only Lamb

Who cried Abba

To the heavenly Father

And cancelled all my bonds

He is my horn

Hallelujah the ancient curtains got torn

I'm born anew

He rescued me. a Jew

I run to Him

Singing a hymn

Christ my redeem'r

The overcom'r

I'm forgiven

So are the brethren

There is therefore now no condemnation

I have salvation



#### **Christmas Gifts**

25th is for Christmas

26th is for boxes

Christmas is for Christians

Followers of Christ

I run here and there to party

And package something for Uncle and Aunty

Mum and Dad are happy

Though there is nothing left for the needy

Christ is born in a manger

He brings me joy

But not even a hi!, a hello! or a smile to the stranger

To-do list has Christmas plans

Visit a friend, picnic and church

I am busy. I've got no time to wish the orphans

What does Christmas mean?

Dress classy, ride luxuries and display decorated trees?

Burn candles near windows

and

forget the nearby widows?

Spread the smiles.

Dial the lonely

A box for the beggar

Shop for the prisoner

Visit the sick

That's Christmas

That's Christ's birth



# SEA

I see a sea

So black as tea

All rivers collapse into it

All fill it to empty

Her riches increase from talents to ideas

So is our allegiance

When one sympathizes

When one empathizes with her depths



### **EVERYONE**

Everyone has names except good names.

Everyone sleeps except the dreams, aims.

Everyone has needs except the means.

Everyone demands love except enemies.

Everyone succeeds except people pleasers!

Everyone likes celebrations except celebrating others.

Everyone has circles except smothers.

Everyone has talents except being current.

Everyone smiles except from hurts.

Everyone gets scars except being inert to assert.



### THE PAST

The past is gone, can't be undone.

It flies so fast than light.

Past haunts, it hunts you down.

Among all sharp weapons, past is sharper.

It chases and aims at tomorrow.

Past is a fallen time, defeated;

It arises and crushes the future.

Once saddled with its shackles,

You become a dancing leave in the air,

Tossed through the present,

Like a saint who doubted his faith.

Past is a knight in war.

It roars like Goliath before you,

But can be conquered through scars;

Scars that remind of the past.

Why fight it?



# **Not As I Thought**

I thought this white boat sits quiet on the blue waters From afar, she rests in silence She dances reluctantly, to-and-fro

A little 'pompong' pushes her asunder The cargo sidelines her from the lines Not as I thought

Sunburn, see breeze and salty haze Rust her away bit by bit like a rotten bird She sneezes so silently on the sea

But she sits beautifully

And everyone admires her



### **NUMBERS**

I think of numbers like

A count of breath is life

Sometimes we subtract

One from two leaving the one

A soul, lonely like

A bird on the housetop

Whose fate is a vulture

in the waste places

And other times we add

One plus one equals to one

David's rib into Bathsheba

A banquet of roses and daisies

Sometimes too we multiply

X times Y of a mighty King longing for

The arrival of Sheba from a city

On longitude X times latitude X

Before a naming ceremony begins

Even division deceives no destiny

Two divided into two

One going to her mother's house before night fall

The other thinking why just a

Little lie belittled a house of four



### **NEW YEAR'S BLOOMING**

New year's blooming like crowed of amaryllis,

Cheerfully and colorfully,

Illuminating around, attracting our iris,

To stay strong still, hopefully.

New year's appearing like autumn leaves,

Dancing down, heaping like snow,

Something we yearn to hug, mysterious though,

Something awesome; as drowning days leave us bereaved.

New year's rising like summer sun,

Of warmth, light, cheer,

Which is a trigger on the run,

Or as fast as Mustang's gear.

Bringing glee, smiles, joy,

Like when a boy gets his toy,

He kisses it, and hugs it,

That thing that he never forgets.

New year like a babe has come to thrive.



# **Silence Speaking With Sounding Words**

From the silence of the womb

To the silence of the tomb

The wounds remain fester and fester

The mother the green wood like the juniper

The philanthropist of the silent lurkers

The dagger the saber rasp the tropic lumbers

From the silence of the night

To the silence of the fallen knights

Their sighs and hiss remain a silent siren

Those in the swale those in pail make them wail

In silence in pain like a frightened quail

From the silence of the winter coasts

To the silence of the cemetery, their ghosts

Never sleep never like koala, but weep

Throughout the unending unrest of the beast



### **INSENSITIVE TO PAIN**

I am insensitive to pain, deep deep deep down
Pain of shouts, of checks, of then and now
A dead mimosa, trampled, crushed, withered
It's huge hands that slowly closes slowly bothered

I have a contrite heart and mind and soul
A heart once of merry of cheer of gold
A soul carries tales of sweet sorrows
The remnant of meekness it didn't borrow

I'm crippled in pangs, entangled in saddles of pain That stalks, lingers, like a stubborn stain Deceitful destructive words, deeds, that devour Tongues that waddle, as if to craddle every hour

I know the taste of pain, it's like a twist, sprain
Through the troughs and crests of life's lane
The cares, scars, scorns, and scratches
The injuries, festered and fouled wounds like patches

The paint of unforgiving and a hash world
The color of the bizzare world, loud as a bird
So let my pains heal and my stains flee
That I may wander forever free