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## But the Truth

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Everyone says that I'm  
a valuable witness.  
To what? Truth, you say?

Truth is no longer naked.  
It wears designer clothes  
created on some Sunrise Avenue  
and stitched together in some  
Jamarta, San Singo, Getucipalga.

Truth is no longer plain.  
It's like sophisticated fake jewelry  
on a fabulously rich woman.  
You either know it's fake but say  
nothing aware that she can afford  
the real thing, or don't want  
to know because no matter what you say  
she makes others believe it's real.

Truth is no longer justice  
for the latter does not imply  
an apt symmetry of fortune.  
Truth is reality on the ground.

And there on the ground a gander  
refuses to fly off south because of  
two magnificent plastic geese  
they planted in to make the pond pretty.

Do you detect some bitterness  
in all this? You do? You are right.  
Do you feel there may be poetic justice  
in what I say? Not really? Right again.

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