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"If I say something you understand fully, I probably made a mistake." --Alan Greenspan commenting on his speech to a Senate committee about the economy.

SLANT SONNET FOR THE BULL

The bull is getting senile, there's no doubt,  
has spells of falling, slower to recoup  
the ground he lost, inclined to lag and dote  
on former glories, careless to recap  
the climax he allowed to drift away.  
Recession or Inflation needn't lift  
a fraction of a threat to steal the day.  
Just let the Fed suggest the prime will shift,  
go up or down, the bovine's charge goes flat,  
the bear not far behind his dragging tail.  
El toro snorts, erratic in his flight;  
the china shop sustains another toll.  
He could outlive these times, say Wall Street vets.  
But most of them are hedging all their bets.

--Glenna Holloway