**Clean Up**

*April 3, 2014*

I Moiled And Mucked For Four Score Ten.

Wagered On The Come.

Forebear The Wiles Of Women.

Pleasures Of Raw Needs Of Men.

Each Day From Sun To Sun.

Miser With Leisure. Grace Or Sleep.

Why Care For Phantom Rest.

With Promise. Bond. Pledge To Keep.

Most Strong. Most Pay Dirt. The Best.

Pick. Shovel. Haul. Pan. Hard Rock. Frozen Soil.

Thy Body Bartered. Spent.

In Chase Of Wealth. Relentless Toil.

Await The Cleanup. Springs Reward. Full Sluice And Poke.

Alas The Years Of Denial. Abuse. Abstinence.

Take Their Toll.

The Piper Calls.

Gold Holds No Answer To Wasted Tailings Of Ones Life.

Therein The Irony.

Cleanup Yields Color Of Over.

From Sands Of Self.

A Tragic Cosmic Joke.