Philosophic Conversation By Martin A. Egan 25th of April 2010

At a certain age everything stops working For a while

Friends disappear,

Some die,

Some re-appear suffering

From something guaranteed

To either kill them fast or at least

Hurry the process up

Others marry ugly women,

Others ugly men with money

Others marry postmen

That will never leave them

They continue to tell me we are friends

And by that mean they are my friends

Some stand sideways on to me

Like I smell of something terminal

Talking to the fuck up about the fuck up

They tell you that you used to be

And they still keep in their heads

I feel sorry for them, they have to do it

So that I remain vaguely understandable

Non threatening and mildly amusing

I'm not complaining, makes no difference

Even though it's not cool to talk too much

Especially in their company

Of Love or Pain, Brutality or sensitivity

It's certainly not cool to talk too plain either

Everyone's a neutered intellectual

With an interest vested in the FFC

The new religion of sexism or P.C

And remaining viable online and on T.V

Is important; very because you know

It's a big Planet but a VERY small world

At least inside the minds of those

Addicted to Self Promotion and Broadcasting

Self righteousness and Ignorance

Is sold by the gram as a Virtue

I'm in and out of anger

Like a tapeworm through cheese

Occasional fits of weeping

For things I can't remember

For faces and names I've forgotten

For Places and dreams that never worked

It's a cruel world if you don't weaken

And a crueller one if you do.