

# Natural Visions

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**A world that** grows complex in time  
Wipes the savage from his climes,  
I see history's end in Arcady  
In stars that grow more orderly.  
One can destroy an order ossified  
With atoms—seeds of regicide.  
To kill an untrue paramour,  
The void be your conspirator.  
The fruit that falls to the earth's foundations  
Marks the end of bordered nations,  
And fossils found beneath the sod  
Are arms that can impale a god.  
The wondrous Lord's celestial feat,  
Concerns the ground beneath your feet.  
To proclaim the world is without form  
Will place a crown upon a worm.  
What was there before the eye could see  
Are desires of what the world should be.  
The earth that's measured aeons old  
Are bricks that built Buchenwald.  
The Universe that moves to entropy,  
Are keys that lock a monastery.  
The cut worm that takes another breath  
Contradicts the natural law of death.  
The beauty of a slum grown flower  
Is a tract against all earthly power.  
The world revolving in a ring  
Is a law refuting rules of Kings,  
And the world that spins upon its course,  
Draws a line 'neath ancient laws.  
To say past things aren't reassured  
Will make of you an epicure.  
The resurrected body of our Lord  
Drops the tyrant's vengeant sword.  
Glorious nature's princeless rule,

Is the anarchist's unquenching fuel.  
Falling stars that hurtle in a shower  
Are fruits of a revolt for power.  
To bask in nature's sights and smells  
Is to see how man constructs a hell.  
To view man's savage commonwealth  
Can make an idol of the self.  
The cosmos starting with a blast  
Puts poets in a lowly caste.  
To prove the world's not made by the sixth night  
Kills categories of wrong and right;  
And the world not made within six days  
Makes cityscapes a dreary grey.  
What's taught at home by the fire's roar  
Will shape the world outside the door.  
Within the forest, the savage man  
Is an idea on how our kind began.  
The sun that moves around the earth  
Endows a man with his self-worth.  
The moving orbs at constant rate,  
Is a fact on which man blames his fate,  
And these sandy wastes are a gulf between  
A promised land as yet unseen.

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