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Haiku a Day

Tea quenches my thirst

Hot boiled leaves are tasty

Elixir of life!

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Well, I've spent more time this month in hospitals than I care to. First, I made tea at work and decided to rub my eye while a small grain of assam was still on my finger, which decided to stay in for several hours until I went to the hospital to have it removed.

Then my father decided to have his third heart attack (fortunately while at St. Luke's hospital in Cedar Rapids for a class) and was sent to the Mayo Clinic, where he recovered down the hall from President Ford. Fortunately, my father is doing much better now.

So, enough hospitals. They're like lawyers: you're glad to have them when you need them, but otherwise you'd rather not have to deal with them.

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Downloadable version available at website, or if you really want me to send you one, send me your address, maybe a stamp too. I enjoy getting mail as much as I enjoy sending mail.

1 August 2006

Seeping through the earth
Pourous rocks deep underground
Wells draw to the top

26 August 2006

Am I thinking it?
Does the Universe go when
I am sleeping sound?

27 August 2006

My car rambles on
Shake, rattle, shimmy and clang
It has "character"

28 August 2006

Slow rain from the sky
Puddles form on grassy lawns
Ground sighs with delight

29 August 2006

A new bag delights
It's got room for everything
And kick-ass design

30 August 2006

Floating in the breeze
Gently colored clouds fly high
And fade into mist

31 August 2006

August waves goodbye
Gliding off on fair breezes
Hello, September

20 August 2006

Blood pressure go down
Retaining fluid is bad
You need to pee more

21 August 2006

Classes in session
Oh, is it Monday today?
It certainly is.

22 August 2006

A car alarm blasts
A wretched cacophony
Honk pause honk pause honk

23 August 2006

A long drive back home
The grey skies are behind me
Waiting to let loose

24 August 2006

Roads go on and on
Tiny threads joining far lands
Do they ever end?

25 August 2006

How does power work?
I flick a switch and lights glow
What's at the far end?

2 August 2006

Dripping for ages
Tiny bits of minerals
A tall stalagmite

3 August 2006

Black gold. Texas tea.
Oil from deep underground.
Dead dinosaur juice.

4 August 2006

Oh, a Daewoo lost!
A mighty warrior slain.
My heart can't take it.

5 August 2006

Glorious weather
Coolness that reminds of fall
When will summer gasp?

6 August 2006

Fresh pitas galore
From the oven of Eric
Small, hot and tasty

7 August 2006

Swisha swisha swish
Gurgle gurgle spit spit spit
The teeth brushing song

8 August 2006

Dust floats in the air
Settles on my bookcases
A bother to clean

9 August 2006

I must have this app!
The English chair demands it
I hate you, Canvas

10 August 2006

Applications that
Require registration
Really chap my ass

11 August 2006

A fractal landscape
Deeper down more details show
Lost infinities

12 August 2006

Pythagoras says
A right triangle adds up
When you square the sides.

13 August 2006

Chug chug train goes buy
Long metal snake stretches out
Slow, plodding, now gone

14 August 2006

Grass grows from the ground
Cool hummus over hard rock
Worms burrow within

15 August 2006

Some toasted bread with
Peanut butter and mayo:
Weird, yet still tasty.

16 August 2006

SQL Queries
I bet you would like to see
My primary key

17 August 2006

A tea grain defeats!
That flake of leaf warrants a
Mary Greeley fix.

18 August 2006

I try to learn SWIG
Wrapping C for Python use
It seems to work now

19 August 2006

Father at Mayo
A dramatic way to wake
Me at six AM