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#### A DELECTABLE DUO OF MUSES: THE BIRD AND THE WRITER

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The other afternoon, when a bird

Came down to dine over at our terrace

Two verses lingered in my head.

One, I pushed away because

I had pledged not to romanticise anybody's mien

After the digital friendship fiasco: a tragic saga of a different sort

Here, let me paint from my fortnight-old memory

The black forest sensational texture I beheld doubly amused my senses.

Its name I know not: he or she or they or whatever right
I could but draw a spectacular verisimilitude
Between the model's facial expression and the writer's
What singularly struck my eyes amongst
The thick raven-black fur on the eater's crest
If you would swap it with the goatee on the writer's chin
The bird to you would pose as it did to me.

A painter aficionado

And so magically did the writer's personality broke

To my eyes before filling me with chest-depth awe

Only a little tarried, it occurred to me

This similitude when I put them in a frame one

The thick shrubbery adorning the visitor's crest,

The goatee on the writer's chin:

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A painter's brush,
A poetic art,

A delectable duo of muses.



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