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"La vieja sabiduría del *teiteiro*".



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The Thatcher's Old Wisdom

(To Herminio, a transhumant thatcher in Asturias)

*The moon is out and is the thatcher's time,
when he owns the green valley,
and he owns the great heights.*

*The broom is green and soft and is the thatcher's time,
when the bear looks for berries,
and the fox hides in the dark.*

*I follow the trails of wild capercaillies
in search for the sounds
that the city kills every morning and night.*

*The masters are arguing on sustainable
theories in concrete constructions.
It pays now to argue
with power points in the city.*

*While they forget that the thatcher is still out,
twinning green broom and white moonlight,
for life.*



(foto de Carmen-Oliva con Herminio en su casa de La Peral)

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