

# MODERN MYTHOLOGY

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While Neptune ponders  
the depths of the sea,  
a dryad wakes  
in the bole of a tree.

Laughter resounds  
down the hallways of myth.  
We must have heard this  
the fourth time or fifth.

But wait, there's more  
to this archetypal tale.  
The Duchy is bankrupt,  
the Duchess so pale.

The ancient Queen Mother  
is caught in the rain.  
The Senators's son  
is caught with cocaine.

It's royalty this!  
And politics that!  
Who cares which daughter  
is skinny or fat?

Who cares if a corporate  
thief rots in jail?  
As long as my check  
arrives in the mail.

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