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Perhaps the greatest proof of our decadence
Is that unicorns have become trite.
Somehow
They've managed to commercialize
Unicorns!
Cocktail napkins, children's toys-
Unicorns are hot sellers.
...And the real tragedy is,
They've become comic-
Shetland ponies with a horn.
Once only a virgin could
Achieve a unicorn;
Today any little whore who can plunk down the money
Can have one
Plastered across her overworked chest
In metallic colors.
What can be used for a culture
Which sells Christ symbols
At Fays
For seven-fifty?

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