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You children have a hard life.
Even with the crafts dead
'Kick-the-apprentice' remains
the journeyman's favorite game
in exploit of relay of ways.
So, weaklings, be wayward: go
to the books while they last:
They can't teach you with torture
and have to let you know
the dead past-masters' opinions,
though you won't read my own.

Alan Dugan

AT CIRCE'S PLACE

was it want or fear
or both that he felt
as he groaned and took
her helplessly?
He started to change
while grinning with joy
ejaculate, while boars
snuffed in the slops
around her bower.
He couldn't stop
or make change stop,
because of her powers.

Alan Dugan