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## Old Age

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Mirrors mesmerize. He stares,  
Grayish, white, soft cotton waves.  
Wrinkles criss-cross, patterned lines  
All designed delicately in age.

A smile slaps and mocks,  
Adjust, turn back pages past,  
To black hair and smooth silk skin,  
Accompanied by desired girls.

His outstretched hands to embrace  
Women who hide, hover and wait  
A cautious capture in mind,  
A long, past, romance.

Into his private solitude sounds parade,  
Their voices ring, reverberate.  
The gentle whispers hush and sigh,  
The silver retains images of aged dreams.

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