Ode to the Printer's Devil

Oh! Printer's Devil

You impish scamp That distorts my meaning With your capers; Plays havoc with my tenses And leaves me frothing wild At the mangled result. With what puckish humour You prance your way Through the print. Revelling in additions or subtractions At some crucial point; Substituting letters in wild delight Turning things topsy - turvy. You shatter my cocksureness Making me feel a moron. Irrepressible brat! Teaching me acceptance Of things I cannot change. That words once printed cannot be retracted That words once uttered cannot be withdrawn

That whatever is done cannot be undone.

- Jeannette Cabraal

Colombo Lotus Tower

Performing birth of a new vision The Colombo Lotus Tower Bloom in the soul of Colombo The South Asia Highest Tower Collaboration of ours' and Chinese Engineers No second to the Eiffel in Paris 19th taller tower in the World Transforming Sri Lanka to be the Wonder of Asia Beautification plan for symbol of City For making this important Landmark project a reality Tower will be visible to India and Bangladesh Emerge as one of the most popular **Tourist destinations** Aiming sky reception – entertainments Revolving restaurants, defence signals Telecom museum, exhibition hall with office complex Spreading communication field for Significant development We proud that the CLT adding to the history as a heritage It is sufficient 30 months for the day dream of The Colombo Lotus Tower kissing the loving sky

- Pushpa Kalubowila

Bring peace into your mind

Peace is precious and priceless People seek it. But they lost it. You don't seek it on outside. It is in your depth of mind. Like pearl is in an ovster Bring peace in your mind In the very beginning, at the garden Of Eden Adam and Eve disobeyed The order of God and gave Room to the great devil Satan. From that time man has been Seeking peace. So you also have to seek it Bring peace in your mind. When every man has peace Then there will be peace In the world. If you give up Dreaming, temptation and jealous The peace will appear in your mind. Bring peace in your mind.

- B Balachandiran

Money

Beyond colour, creed, language and races;

Across continents and nations;

Throughout life chases; the poor and rich; Arouses ego, build up competitions; Everyone keep eyes wide open Smells the fragrance of notes; As money makes money. Beggars to lords; Every man on earth; other than God; Urge for money...from seconds to years It is the king of earth; Without a throne and a crown. No matter who agrees; But owes everything, including nature; Move from one to another; Touches every hand, clean and dirty; Beautiful and ugly; young and old; No gender matters; Time and place not in control; Peeps through every door and window; Mocking at the ones; Sober to sad; who needs him to come If it comes; even do not stay If it stays; he does not let to pray; Makes you happy, taking away your sleep; It's like a stray dog; Do not belong to any; comes and goes; It's friends become fanatics, others lunatics; Searching him day and night; Takes away peace and happiness; If it stays in abundance; Nobody can live without it:

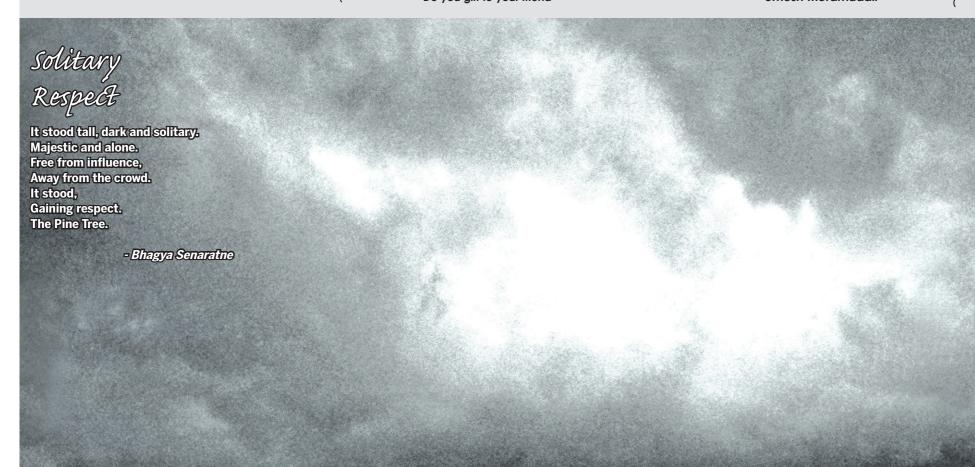
It grabs its place in everyone's life.
- M N Kaiyoom

Who is a true friend?

Have you ever found
a friend who is really true
not the ones who say
I am with you in any time
then forget when you lost your way..
How many times do you say
he/she is my best friend
would you really know what does it mean
have you ever thought about it
at least for a second
Do you gift to your friend

what he wishes from you or did you understand what his heart wants to do Don't be a foe mask of friend and it's better to be foe and be honest to your friend because he will be your friend till you hold your breath like your shadow....

- Umesh Moramudali



I dream of journeys repeatedly:
Of driving alone, without luggage,
out a long peninsula,

- Theodore Roethke