## Strappado

## Brodequin

Suspended sweat and blood fills the eyes of inquisitor mocks al l answers Hoisted up the pulley cables tighten asked again suddenly dropp ed shoulders Near dislocation weights added to the feet ropes tighten around the wrists Confession for a merciful death denial is a slow execution, the room of questions Smothers the world, suffering in silence broke by the screams o f pain raised One last time the last chance to confess let go then abruptly s topped the weight Pulls the legs from their sockets ropes dislocate the shoulders The body mangled consumed with shock.