The Throat of Winter

O the throat of winter is upon us The barren barley fields refuse to sway Before the Husky hag of early darkness In her hoods of snowy grey.

Winter winter winter Are you but a servant of the bad one.

Lo the frozen blue birds in the belfries The bluebells in their hearts are surely prey Unto the grasping bats-wing of the winter pincer Hoods of snowy grey.