

Degenerate

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I am a rough ball of twine
I have a duty to do
I been tied to the table
but now I am frazzled and aloof

degenerate, disintegrate the tight knots
degenerate, rot away the nooses
degenerate, out come those tangles
oh degenerate, oh degenerate

acorn squash and a hearty rows of okra
stand of sweet corn by the trickling creek
winter dead that was buried 'neath the pole beans
behold a sink-hole in the spring

degenerate, washed by weather cycles
degenerate, bleach the deadly night shades
degenerate, prepare to take the profit
oh degenerate, oh degenerate

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