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April's Apple

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April comes with an apple In its virgin days The seed sprouts so fast And behold she is begotten Fresh falling from a blessed branch This apple is an egret She flies away to bless the world Her eyes are a source of encouragement, Her finger nails are a reflection of success, Her face a mirror of bright future, Her smile just an optimism of happiness, Her size is like a heart down to earth, This apple and the egret define meticulous beauty, But April gives birth to beauty, Thus many glorify April

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Red faces Without any traces Committed cases Slayed with offences Trading human rights with pride People say,

As they led their enemies to torture, Subjected children to stoning And abandoned transport for crime Blood is some thing they smeared And cries of brutality cemented their happiness. Since they had diplomatic authority People say,

They dinned with kings And denied their kins. They run for riches And built their reins They are past redemption And they exist no more "Siku za mwizi na arobaine " People say.

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Christmas Eve

Christmas Witchcraft Christmas has robbed me. I can't find my money. My year's savings have been ruined, For the laughters of shopkeepers. I hear everyone is dying to spend. This witchcraft is real and tempting, That churches and shrines share the same epidemic. Christmas has taught me, The desire to impress my neighbor. I must be competitive. As if June wasn't slippery on my December journey. I must show the world my mighty, Celebrating the day as if there is no tomorrow. " Am the most successful this year", Christmas tells me. Christmas has really dictated. Indeed am sad, That I have to meet my meat appetite. The life of the lifeless! Sheep, chicken, goat and cows cry Of the ill fated Christmas day. As they perish prematurely, " Jesus is born that they may have life", Reverend's shout hilariously. Christmas has brought me home. I must be born with Christ. Fellow travelers were surprised At how home has changed over the past decades. They seemed to be lost on their way. Were they also following the star? But then why the doubled transport fare? I doubt that the any savior will be born.

Christmas has exhilarated me,

Did all this happen when my mother was in labor? Did the people share the same madness? I see, I was born in God's image like him Ohhhhh! I forget my mother was never a virgin As I wait for the new-year, Christmas says, "Be happy and jubilate, you are problems free. "

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Donot Punctuate Me

Don't Punctuate Me.* The roads are clumsy The heads are crazy If it be a festive season Let me be an addictive reason For those who see you, Let my shadow bind them farewell. For those who talk to you, Let my words cement the puzzle. I want you to take me as a whole, If i be that food, Eat me, flesh in bones in. If i be that novella, Don't punctuate me. Eat the words raw with no pitch of salt, no punctuation. But for those who dicern me Those who duplicate my manifesto Those whose words and actions bite more Those whose words like icing sugar excite your ears, And their smiles weaken your heart, Don't mind their extinction, Punctuate them all, Just put them in a comma with double fullstops. Not even an exclamation or hypen will save their fate.

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Eating Lies

Eating lies.

The truth of the tongue was fed to the dogs They spread the romour. Till it seemed like sweetened comedy The truth of the tongue was unheard It was blown by air They took it as despair

Indeed patience bled despair The tongue lies in lies The ears are for decoration What can legs do? Just move in pretence without pretext The eyes appreciate doom

But the soul yearns for judgement Of lives that live once and destroy forever.

As we loose conscience to the wolves We fight not to be part of the bitter memories of regret.

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Ekyeshongoro Kye Efakazi

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Omushaija Oriya yaaba akiri ahagooma Arikutegyekyera omubugoomi Nobumurabumbatize entoomi Mukacwera ebikajya Mukecweera amapesha Mwaba nimukikunda sente Mwaba nimukishwemererwa ebyabusha Bakazi mwe! Timurasigaze bashaija

Ninyereeba ahaangozi Nkuratirize amisho gagye Ahari tata wa abaaana Akwaitse nareekura Naroonda oburiganinza Obwe bariyo nibamwinanza Nayisya ogwahamuheru Akwaitse ebedeere yeihanga

Tinyine arampugure Omubworo bwa akalande Hariho omukazi atukibisibwaho sente? Abashaija mubareeke bagyende Baffe bakulonda obusigye obutarimu bworo Nobuturabe enfakazi Abaana beitu nibakuramya beishebo..

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Fall Of Man

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She got me fom a scratch Feeding me with words of starch She raised me with a touch In an environment of a mis-match In her heart i owned branches, Mansions, hospitals and ranches

She found me a pauper Infact a disillusioned peasant like a leaper With an open heart wrapped with care She unpacked her feelings with a smile so rare And to the unworthy me, She made me a home in her life. Till a ring tied our bond together

I have overstayed my leave Why did she revive my capsized beauty? Yes she made a man worthy attraction. Witha gift of children i call my own And the body muscular to admire With a fat bank account for us.

As Time flies,

she nolonger has that touch of fury, My eyes have seen alot of sheep And as a sympathetic Shepherd i traverse, In all new fields to quench my thirst Her heart gets injured, broken and blistered With this she looks at the ring with desperation And to her, all men ride in the same boat A boat that sails capsized to no destination.

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Fare Tale

Fairly tale

Unable to hold her eyes She saw me Her prayers answered Her heart moved And conscience shaken That pure shy hearts of men Still lived in the 21st century.

Her brain couldn't hold her hands, She touched me. Are you human? Where have you lived? Why haven't you tasted the world? Can I be part of your fears? She pleaded, Give me your eyes, As I tried to read her thoughts.

She twisted the gospels Trying to show me her dimples My heart she buttered My honey she muttered But did I really matter? I saw her bother Retelling my story.

How could i really convert? From mere words and excitement! Moreover words from red dripping mandibles. I stepped back crawling With excuses of mummy will punish me Am still a mummy's boy.

She looked on Not knowing whether to curse Or invoke her spirits But my smile was already in a distance As she thought it a fairly tale Never to be retold.

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Four Lettered Bracelet

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For four years I have felt For four letters in futility. For four years I have yearned For four letters in vain.

Now comes yesterday with flavor And finally I manage to get a favor. Having the four letters with me, Holding and having my slumber so early. Probably it came at the right time, A time to breath new life based on four letters.

The rumour turns true, The suspicion ends so well, Because, Because, For four years, I have not failed. I have atleast died for a reason. Waiting to resurrect soon In the embrace of the four-letters.

Many have thought it over It's neither love and nor is it hope But a four lettered name Embedded in a bracelet That I want to keep forever Till it can exist no more....

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Fractured Soul

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We have had a taste of time, I don't recall when I first saw you, Fortunately you became part of me. You graced my babyish eyes, Your scent was delicious, The voice was tempting, Upon your touch, We tasted our innocence, And our virginity was purified true, Thus we helplessly fell in love.

We have come thus far, Witnessing the 21st century in an embrace, Wondering in the sophisticated entrenchment, Withstanding the shadows of divorce, Willing concubines ready to take me up, Waxing their mandibles to get my eyes water, Withered I have not, I have cemented my love for you.

Our bond has been fateful, How could i have loved you in this NRA era? I have breathed enough tear gas, You talked about paper spray, right, I thought we would shout more, I remember your zeal, Your steelness was still, We have endured for long, But why now? Why the still birth? I remember your straka madness, I thought my kid would see Bikukuju on where quality would matter, That blue ribbon advert, As I take my Rock boom Golola style, I pray tulotulo takes whoever brought the hyped tax, Couldn't my love be bailed out in this bailfree desert? You are gone but not forgotten,

WBS indeed where quality mattered, Our love we shall always give to you.

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Good Bye General

Good Bye The Most Loved

Farewell four star General For you, we had police Flourishing in the humane policy Found of the romantic button charge Filled with sympathetic looks.

Endangered were species of humanity Those who embraced your boys on night patrol The uniformed boy banks you trained The traffic turned mechanic police men Diagnosing diseased tyres and not serious engines As they get their hands greased with papers

The bush war General without Miltarism Except juicy community policing Attracting millions of crime preventors And employing various yellow bodaboda men With I hear certifying NRM cadreship

Opposition was something forgotten With the failed walk to work, unpopular activism And all the foiled city demonstrations Your name always held the banner high With the aid of order management act You held your law course high to action From Wembley to kiboko squad and then beautification of Nalufenya gardens The police was an institution to reckon with

The time is now And the general bids farewell At the time when nartual death has multiplied And women seem to benefit most from the earth's fate With a few muslim sheikhs and government officials. The pangas tearing flesh as new artifacts in masaka And Native comrades shot with porpcons during daytime Why now of all times? ©2018© Bamukunda Hillary

Hearts Dont Break

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Hello To Feminists

Hello To Feminists Standing with life realists I dare the feminists To cut short the agenda Of prescribed equal gender And swallow the pride pill Of women status elevation bills Your loud voices have penetrated walls And your pleas have been honoured overseas With million countries changing constitutions All to suit your cause. Is that equality or sympathy? But tell me, With various women groups flooding the streets, villages and slums What has flourished? You continue to sit home and mother For a few who work You continue to refer to yourselves as women Culturally submissive Biblically a companion And to the society fragile

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How I Loved You

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I fell in ditches of your eye roll My leg got bruised at sight of your high heel With a smile like colours on a sweet roll I knew it was my time to heal

I then begun my dream, How could i come close? Your bamboo like hair chased away the flies, The bamboo buttocks pushed the skirt far east, and the bamboo breasts waved the blouse far west, And the bamboo legs! Was it meat pie, hot dogs or large pizza? May be they were offside.

The hips didnt seem to lie, But how could i know the truth? I looked at the ebony thighs And thought of our would be sighs The world seemed a festival And we were the music.

In your world, i got lost In my world, i got lost It wasnt a treatable crush But a juicy lust that would last.

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I Promised You A Poem

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I promised you a poem not a song Of words smearednot with wit But pun that fumes of your name With the lyrics that goes with your voice

I promised you a poem not a folk tale Embedded with tatoos that depict you And colours that reflects your smile Paintings that assumes your beauty Andwords that reclaim your scent.

This is what i promised A poem not Noel With commas that will stop you, An exclaimation at your beauty, A hypen for a handshake An apostrophe for a hug Brackets for the embrace And quotations for what we share That way the promise will compromised Me and you shall be that poem

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I Want A Free Menstrual Pad

I want a free menstral pad . Yes, a free menstral pad. Not a free condom to my dad. Or the free injectaplan And dozen of free pills to depopulate my clan.

Is it because am a teen? Why do you take me for a tin? Do I need to make noise first? OK, can I please have a free pad fast?

I hear shouts of salary increment Taxation has now befriended everything Operation wealth creation here Operation safe sex equipments there Free education is a hope forgotten Women emancipation hit a dead end Why sensitise me about abortion? When I can live without the unwanted pregnancy.

When I see my grandfather in a queue for free circumucision I laugh at my president Who insists a cloth or an old sweater feels better Whenever I travel to the moon without a visa Why can't they understand? That it happens even when i wouldn't fancy it. As I walk on this road not taken I will shout in silence That a free pad is better than a free contraceptive That a free pad is millions nice than free and fair election May be then I will be a proud girl.

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Learn To Say No

Learn to say No

. Don't cry, Let me fly. You were foolish For me to turnish. Why did you accept my lie? Moreover in my bed to lie?

Don't cry Let me apply To leave you in peace At your designed pace With your heart so touchy And your body so switchy

Its time to say bye As I will always pass by The once designated flower That I now cower Till she learns to say No For life she then know.

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Lost Valentine

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The new day is ahead Hearts have been washed clean Souls have been purified Pretence though expensive Many have managed to buy a kilogram For it needs a redefined and redressed being

Many haven't priotised Instead they have strategised How love will be portioned How desires will be separated How the weary souls will be unsatisfied In the Tick tack time available Accompanied by sweet excuses

Eye balls will roll over Eye lids With honeyed lips dripping blood like water High heels will wheel down high steps Deceitful eyes will stare at one another As if they will want to whisper, . "Am late for my next round table"

On the ill fated day

Some hearts await twisted brakes and breaks Some will have the day to prove impossibilities As many will aspire to have the day revoked Before they are cursed of dishonesty

As the day knocks tommorow I see them clearly disguised Aspiring to dress up in black, red and blue To swallow whatever comes their way The day seems lost along its way Will any of them lure me? Who will paint my heart then that day? Who will be my Valentine? ©Bamukunda Hillary©

My Role Model

My Role model

On the burnt potato lies her sweat And on empty smotach She serves you with a smile She genuinely sees you swallow And her satisfaction boils

She cuts her Christmas gomesi To cover punches on your casual shirt. Your school bag is made of her new dress And your pocket money, her yearly savings Your school fees, a loan from various banks

Her knees are hard as crocodile skin Ever worshiping the man like god husband Who intends to give a way their daughter Inexchange of a sack of potatoes Her back already bent by daily digging And she is pregnant for her 16th child.

For her later years, She sits besides the road Begging for droplets of waters and grain As she ages to die She remembers the world that remembers her not Useless beggar numerous grandchildren Perhaps her death is late.

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Oh Uganda

OH UGANDA!

Because I Come From The North. Am born a hustler Infact a cattle rustler And I make perfect askari Many comrades say. Is it part of my DNA? Aren't I a fellow country man?

Because I come from the north, Am appetizing to the viral diseases. A specimen to imported Cuban doctors. As if am prone to immunization, Free mosquito nets and sensitization. Hunger my best friend, I hear because am a nomadic pastoralist.

Because I come from the north Am a sweet target to all NGO's, Those monetary calabashes that have enriched the south, Employed thieves and the brown skinned comrades. My Bantu friend says, "Sustain the war sustain the north " "Sustain poverty sustain the north" "Sustain famine sustain the north" "Sustain diseases sustain the north' "Sustain the north sustain NGO's sustain riches"

Because I come from the north. Am called all sorts of names. The best being a cannibal. Yes I come from the north, Am dark skinned and black. Am a human not a war victim. A comrade and fellow countryman. I deserve to be called Ugandan.

Our World Of Elders - For Freshkid Ug

Our World Of Elders

Just like a flowering bud, You are now a flying bird. With wings of lucks, And a new wagon of flocks, With wangs of tongues, Your talent trills the trolls, And your word rewards are upwards.

No excitement without discernment Welcome to the our world encampment Expect more judges than nurses Expect more examiners than teachers We live with more critics than editors For we like to shine where there is light. That's our world.

Our world of elders Is that of romantic malice Spiced with jealousy Filled with fried lies It's a survival for the cleverest I with deceptive smiles And unmasked propaganda.

You may be a fresh lily We shall drain the water around thee Your voice might be dream But who day dreams? We shall light your nights, We know not of others success We know yes of our climbing ladders Ours is a religion of no saints Just get used to be an elder Not fresh kid or fresh young That way you will fit in our world

Press Freedom

Press Freedom.

Dear son, When your sister died On live television coverage As she interviewed the suicide bomber She got her freedom That was her journalistic destination To inform us with unedited raw news. I was proud

But son, You were inspired You walked in her feet With different face but same badge All news are advertised No kintu kidogo No publications Personalities have excelled only in press At the mercy of your corruptmaniac hands. Some news has died in incubation, As you have treated some information to scrutiny? Who then knows the truth?

My beloved son,

You have dated banks,

And character assassinated everything.

Not even public institutions have failed on your venom.

From glaring grace to grumbling grass.

Great people have fallen,

Developing nations have collapsed,

On stories with honey smeared lies

And fire catching breaking news.

And you shout press freedom?

My much needed son,

As you shout blames on social media and dark bloggers.

As you cry of limited police care and comfort.

As you cripple judiciary for admirable press rights.

Why can't you drop partisan journalism?

My son, You work in the society of the people. What happened to the press of the people? Like DJ's and music industry, We all can't be friends of benefits. Let the press run free Be free and press loyal Your sister will be proud of you. You too will finally be free

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Song Of A Bachelor 2

Song Of A Bachelor (2)

When will you marry? He answers that daily. And he has been immune To the monologue. The world seems to mind alot. It wishes him well.

He hears stories of child bearing Coupled with enriching daddy titles He looks on exasperated With only his bluetooth speaker to hold on

He is disgruntled with his pocket change And the kameza lovestory weighs him down Even when he doesnt own any Worry has taken over his face And fear lives in his heart.

Kikomando has taken over his taste. And beer a substitute of the reckless argument Like UNBS he checks for quality and standards He nolonger seeks for a life companion But specimen for trivial titre values That way he achieves his generation goals. With a song of might A song of a retarded bachelor.

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Song Of The Virgin

Song Of The Virgin When you meet me, Don't hug mi. When u accidentally hug me, Don't kiss me. If by fate you kiss me, Spare me the romance. Should romance take it's course stubbornly, Please, please don't dare the devil. My body is the temple of the lord. My mum told me am not ready. My friends told me it hurts. Didn't the priest say we carry Jesus in our bodies? Hahaha, hope you won't disturb him. This time my spirits will raise up, I will shout, No, to the unknown madness. I hear you are attractively seductive, That your words smell of ankole honey, That the touch of your hands can even evoke spirits, Are your eyes a pair of romantic lens? Can you really take me to heaven alive llike you said?

I don't fear to go to dare a living miracle,

But I haven't had any testimony.

Let me praise the devil I know,

Than the angel I don't know.

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Sonnet 1

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The Fallen Love

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Treasuring the past With haunting memories Disguised with all the good that happened We tend return our love to graves Those that discredited us Those that finally could not find honey in us

We tiptoe to these sculptors The once treasurable gods and goddesses The diamond hearted creatures In expectations of the sweet past moments To rekindle and reshare the darling feelings True love is the flag we raise high Willing to be heart martyred We don't give up.

Like choir, we sing as they clap We get it all All that we had missed for awhile The hopes are high We begin to promise heavens Its like breathing new life Like born agains, we are different beings More determined to outlive the future

When love falls, it takes all The dark past woes return, The sweetness is short lived Because we didn't change Our character remained The personality lives on Same person same perception The empire falls again We became Ex's again Waiting on the generation to ressurect us.

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Till We Win

TILL WE WIN.

We run races

We compete We strategize We focus We see beyond We fail to win . We fight We wrestle We walk We swim We swim We die We fail to decompose . We crawl We quarrel We hit the start

We feign We dance We get crippled We hit the dead end With great spirits We rumble on. Till we win

Ungifted Souls

UNGIFTED SOULS

We dream We desire We defy odds We fight on We still fail to couqer

We fail to live a life of luck Strong spirits break Good will seems to brake Despair takes home of our hearts With our hopes crushed We eat on a disillusioned earth Blaming non existent ancestors.

Life has never been fair And it doesnt plan to be so Many have perished at so With jaws broken Hearts not only broken But cooked and fed to the dogs

Its a selefish world Caring for those who are better Those who who think have it Those who are times favoured Those are position blessed Whose pride doesnt know vanity And thus the gifted souls.

Us Against The World

US AGAINST THE WORLD.

In the dawn filled with mist and fog We have opened our eyes in twist and turns Our arms have somehow tapped each other With rolling eyes The brains have collided To create our world of fame.

In that glass you shine With blessings like rain And the sparkling attire Attracts not only strangers but gods. Its a tag of war that i fight not, Because like a king, you still pick me.

We are the angry beasts yearning for bondage We trek, trap and trample on each other Everytime our sounds awaken our hearts With alarms to renew our faith and promises That we shall genuinely die and arise together During our journey of no return But fresh re-run.

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When Hearts Hate

When Hurt Hearts Hate

When lips leap, And tongues trap, The world is left to laugh, As loved ones are left in trough, What then can hands do? May be write blankly.

When we turn emotionless, That we became hateless, The desires dwell upon the minds, And they are left to settle in the reeds, And the mouth that cannot talk, But shout silently.

When we strategically giggle, Inorder for a chance to tickle, In a space of an eye's twinkle, Christians turn for the bible, In search of Love chronicle, Orchestrating the eyes, To read blindly.

When we stage the drama, To escape the desired trauma, Our hearts we leave in comma, Never to listen to the murmer. Being in love in a rumour, Trekking our fruitful legs To the journey of no return, Where first love recovers at death And subsequent pretence lives for ages, Only to be hurt by memories Of the bare feet that was dissapointed by the earth's rocks.

Why I Must Die

*Why I must die? *

Because am a nodder Whose head must squander With the shake shake dance Am left in a trance

If salary is immunisable? And operation wealth creation dependable? If the constitution can be amended? And crime preventors promoted? I hear they are army substitutes. Tell me nodding disease is bearable?

I hear I must die Because am a nodder An entertainer whose head excites ministers and members of Parliament I represent better memories How I wish I was their relative? Funeral services would bury me That's what they can afford Entertainment Vs Entertainment

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