

Poetry Series

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I have now left this site, there will be no more poems from me except this one - Battle Games. If you wish to see my poetry I have moved them to my blog:

Stories:

The History of My Luggage

You can also read my political blog at:

I have left many of my quotations too on this Poemhunter site.

I wrote the following letter to PoemHunter on 23.12.15:

Dear Poem Hunter,

I am bitterly disappointed that you now play adverts above our poems without the choice of turning them off, even after a few seconds of exposure. I think it is particularly incongruous that you mix beautiful and peaceful poetry with adverts for WAR-GAMES.

I have used and enjoyed your site for 5 years but I will now remove all my poems to a blogsite and no longer use the site. I will encourage all my friends to do the same,

Yours regretfully

Graham Thompson

So far I have had no reply.

Battle Games

My world is framed and shamed
By the embroidered claims of capitalist verse
The false creations in profit's name
At the borders of my own true proofs
Of imagination

My effort, my originality
Are tainted by the false claims
Of a science serving only money
And money's landlords
The Iagos of iniquity
In their sex games of the screens

What would it be to live
In a world free of the tinctures
Of gain and lust
Of battle games that destroy
Our every chance of freedom
And engineer potential wars
In children's and childish minds

What would it do to our world
To employ that energy and, yes,
Creativity in pursuit not of profit
Or the screaming missiles of competition
But in peace, poetry, and the perfection
Of relations
And of human being

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