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**ON LONGEVITY**

Seeking longevity  
just to live longer:  
the heavy fret  
of how long.  
Living now  
with only view  
to life later.  
Wishing daily  
for more days  
to wish for.  
(More with which  
to wish for more.)  
Now has always  
eye on later—  
keeping watch  
over what never  
isn't on its way.