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An Excellent Year's Progress

a timed exercise

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Since you married that hostess
Better than the year before
When you were carousing with that whore

I think you were inspired
When the bathroom was re-wired
That was a seminal moment
Adopting a new component

Perhaps that bout of flu
Made you realise how little you knew
Of the science of decoration
At a time it was in gestation

Your creative juices started to flow
And your features were all aglow
We paused, our breath was baited
So long it was, we had waited

To see if you could overcome
All those sins you had done
Abusing, traducing, and boozing
I just had to go off cruising

To escape your dastardly deeds
And to bring you to your needs
Let's face it you were appalling
Deserving nothing but a mauling

But now you have excelled
And everything has gelled
It has been a long process
Yes, an excellent year's progress.