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Not an Inch

Parneet Jaggi

Gold spread around
Embellished with rubies, emeralds of varied shapes
The infallible counting goes on.
Mind counts it adeptly
Than any other chore
Forgets at times to count its breaths,
For they are gifted
Gold is hard earned
One toils, sweats, variegates,
Even intercedes to persuade nature
For more spaces to heap it.
A wise comprador bargaining
A piece of land in each birth.
Then one day ponders
Looks for a tiny corner
To nurture love.
Alas! All corners occupied.
Out of the large earth it had
Not an inch left for love.