

## George Held

### The Snow

The snow flies  
Right to left  
North to south  
Past my window

The snow falls  
Top to bottom  
Heaven to earth  
On my sills

The snow, sign  
The world's at rest,  
Catches my breath  
Every time.

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