

George Held

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Fall at the summer house
on a hill two hundred miles
north of the city:

our field mowed, hay bales
stacked as in Brueghel,
fodder for the farmer's horses.

George Held's work appears regularly online and in print. He has received five Pushcart Prize nominations. *After Shakespeare: Selected Sonnets* (Cervená Barva Press, 2011) is his fourteenth collection of poems.