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To love and to live
One must learn to laugh at life

At all of one’s finished failures
That are fighting to fray the future

Begin a start sweeter than the sour
Sound of the screaming cease of sight

And beat the bitter betrayal that
Beckons on to the better beam of light

Living life without laughing a little
Leaves life weak and limp

And weary to the waters of the willow
Which watch the life that’s worthwhile

But instead invite the infected Ivy
That engulfs the integrity and indulges virtue

Where dead dreams destroy destiny
And the desire to deem dignity

Which kills the kindness that
Conquers kindred spirits

But heightened hues of honesty
Highlight happiness and laughter

And rise revitalized reasons
To realize one’s renewal

This knowing of nothing notes the
Needing for knowing something

But tattered times tell tales of
Totaled dreams and tired laughter

So forget the fatal foe that is failure
And fight for the fresh freedom of laughter

And learn to live life
Just by laughing a little