

Mother's Pistol

**Mother has a pistol
in a basket beneath the knitting
Father reads the paper,
smokes his pipe, content, unwitting.
Mother has her reasons
(to ask such questions would be unwise)
Mother lifts the pistol
and blows the pipe right through his eyes**

**Mother hid the pistol
in her neighbour's mailbox at their door
It would be discovered
by the police who would ask what for?
The neighbour she was puzzled
She did not know how they could hear
she'd been fucking father
twice a week for at least a year**

**Mother owns no pistol
she advocates for gun control
It was the neighbour's gun!
Bought for neighbourhood patrol
Mother is a Christian
She said in court "Yes I forgave"
Her neighbour is a jailbird
If only father could have behaved.**