

Thanksgiving for our Fuels

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Wood was thought a precious fuel,
burned to cook and heat our homes.
Europe was stripped of all its trees,
no lumber left for building homes.

The continent was saved by coal.
Homes now cozy and warm
Lazy water wheels replaced
by super energetic steam.

Iron horses on steel rails kissed
goodbye to mule, ox and horse.
Steamers plied the seven seas,
sailing and rowing reserved for sport

Oil the newfound *liquid coal*
a cleaner and truly universal fuel,
powered cars, boats and aero-planes.
It was proclaimed the perfect fuel.

All thanks to you both, Coal and Oil.
Thanks to you, our species has survived.
Let not your works ever be blasphemed
by all those pompous, arrogant and green.

Please serve us till the Solar Age arrives
Give our race an even chance to survive
for without your vast abundant energy,
freezing and starving we will surely be.