

Retreat

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Years ago made as someone's home
High amenities
One bed and wash basin
Small stove and rocking chair
Step outside for some fresh air

Years past now a summer shack
Glad for the amenities it lacks
For the owner comes to visit
From grandeur delights
Three stories high, inside plumbing and
Electrical lights

The shack was built by a small tree
That now has grown
Restful and quiet nights
By the rivers flow

Blue sky and dark currents
Wake up to blue dew
Mossy green scented breeze
Snapped twigs along the path
To serenity and a peaceful pace that is slower
Future visits as the tree grows older

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