Mother Nature's Woes

Mother Nature feels neglected
And cruelly betrayed.
Her children do not cherish
The grand creation that she made,
Her earthquakes and tsunamis pale
Before the ravages of man,
The landmines and the bombs that kill
And scar her sacred land.
The threat of nuclear winter,
The global warming scare,
The fouling of her rivers
And pollution of her air.
She fears her Arctic Wilderness
So beautiful to see,
Where polar bears and caribou
Have roamed for centuries,
Will soon be drilled and plundered
And heartlessly despoiled
In the doomed and final gasp
Of a culture based on oil.
And yet she has a slender hope
That all is not yet lost,
That we, the crown of her creation,
Will recognize the cost,
That we will raise our voices
And use our hearts and minds
To protect our precious planet,
The home of humankind.