

Friend Bequest (From a Modern Cad)

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I am vein

I am art-

er I ole.

They read me as they would Facebook;

Fingers track my spine,

Just like they scroll through the newsfeed.

I can't hear them-

As no hair have I.

I like to think I am thick skinned;

But their ribbing

(Because I appear caged)

Is not gentle.

Their Comments on my Profile,

Cut me

Strip me

Preserved

(In cyberspace).

They are superficial,

Tongue and cheek they are,

But they will delve deeper

To stalk my history further down:

I had a heart attack as-

They have come to (the) real eyes

(A shin?)

I am just 'Like'

Any body