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Time and time again  
I am exposed  
My cap is taken  
My blood is spilled  
All for creation

From hand to hand  
Used then passed on  
They lay me on my  
Bed of white  
Now spotted with blood

My bleeding vein  
Touches the dry sheet

It drinks my blood  
Greedily draining  
My life from my vein  
All for creation

My life is not my own  
I am squeezed, bitten  
My arm is broken,  
I am taken apart  
Put back together  
But missing some parts

Again my blood is spilled  
Across the snow  
Cold and ruthless  
They take me, drain me  
All for creation

I bleed till the end  
The life of a pen