

# Math-writ

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If if then then  
Then hence thus  
Mathematical logic  
has me nonplussed.

It's not logic per se  
but the writing to wit  
the bore of the so then  
the yawn of the math-writ.

I am impelled to storm in  
with a melee of adjectives,  
make garlands of metaphors  
and race with invectives.

Throw caution to the winds  
and emblazon this logic  
with the passion of words  
and the lust of its magic.

With splendid serendipity  
will solutions be found,  
With dizzying complexity  
will a proof resound.

The trickery of probability  
sprinkled with algebraic thrills,  
And cocky conjectures  
to stack up the till.

The solemnity of Gödel,  
The no-go there!  
The twisted crookery  
of Operator-ic fare!

Alas, we are locked  
in sensibilities so dull  
that a marriage of the two  
must for now be left null.

So bolstered with fits of rich  
outbursts like this  
I plod through the linguistic  
desert of math-writ.