

## Horse with the Paisley Heart Goes Round

Horse with the paisley heart goes round & round the ampersand  
     with pole & paint speared  
 through its heart, behind its curly & tangled mane.  
 Reins either side of glistening eyes & rearing head;  
 decorations flowing the body's shapely & gorgeous sweep  
 of galloping limbs. Music climbs & clings.  
     Calliope music, down, up & down  
     goes round & round, oh—  
     oh oh oh, oh, oh & it comes out here.  
 Sit on the carousel side-saddle-seat & flow with  
 the steam-driven calliope's tinny & poignant beat.  
     Painted pack-horse's saddle & curve of faces  
     in a backlit blur. Mix & colour-in the circle  
     of watchers crowding & awaiting their turn.  
 Pole-pinned, sliding horse rides up & down, round and around, oh—  
     oh oh oh, oh, oh & it comes out here.  
     It follows a patterned paisley & gilded heart.  
 Sit the saddle of the horse on the pole & pain spears through.  
     Ride with the wind & drink in the calliope music  
     till it slows the revolving stage & sliding horse. Circle more slowly  
     the still-point well, at the centre, & a paisley pattern horse  
 goes up, down, slow, slow, round & round, till it stops. Oh—  
     oh oh oh, oh, oh & it comes out here.

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