

Short Term

My short-term
memory is going

I can't remember a
goddamned thing
anymore

a thought will
surface
and shoot
around
like a
pinball machine

and then it
will flutter
away
like a bluebird
that has a chance
to fly out
of the slightly ajar
cage

and it's funny
because I can
remember
what I ate for breakfast
a decade ago

and I can remember
getting my hand caught
in the wheel
of a horse drawn buggy
when I was two-years-old

but I can't
remember
the last thought
that struck me

maybe this

is the first sign
of many
telling me
I'm burned out

maybe this is
the end of me

and I won't
be able to remember
which word
comes
next
in
this
po...