

## Sweet And Sour

To feed a stale macaroon  
To a male raccoon,  
Munch a crunchy jilipi  
In a jalopy,  
Invent a sly sobriquet  
For a martinet,  
Pry out a pesky fishbone  
From near the wishbone --  
Would make even a rheumatic  
Wax half ecstatic.

To marry a contrary  
Prothonotary,  
Dive down a roller-coaster  
Perched on a bolster,  
Map the itinerary  
Of a canary,  
Spruce up a fat trust-buster  
With a bust-duster --  
Would blow up a mere spinster  
Into a raving monster.

-- John Moffitt

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(Note: A jilipi is a Bengali sweetmeat that looks like a pretzel; it is soaked in sugar syrup.)

John Moffitt's second book, *The Living Seed*, has recently been released by Harcourt, Brace & World, Inc. of New York : \$3.95.