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Lake Topelo, New Zealand with Mt. Cook, *by Irving Herman*

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## CATCHIN' SOME HEAT

Caught a utility bill at the city's  
tree dump today.  
Kinda like fishin' a well known stream.

There's a pool of maple leaves  
hiding six, no  
eight maple fillets.  
Must be someone's creel  
stashed by a city worker.  
Stashed for a brother-in-law.

Grandpa oak glides below  
willow ripples. Lazy.  
Nothing  
but brush until  
I snag out the weeds.

Rusty truck reels in log chain line.  
Green stickleback crabapple hits,  
spits, gets away  
this time.  
Set the hook, spin tires up muddy bank  
scattering wormy caviar  
through regrouping tadpoles.

— Dave Gibson