

## War and Peace?

Is it war when a human body  
Destroys a streptococcus?  
Is it war when a lion kills  
And eats its prey – to shock us?  
Is it war when we kill a pig  
To cook, and crunch the crackling?  
Is it war when rugby thugs  
Half kill each other with tackling?

Is it peace when a well-kept garden  
Is left untouched to grow wild?  
Is it peace when food that's wanted  
Is undelivered, just piled?  
Is it peace when a star that twinkled  
Collapses to a cold brown dwarf?  
Is it peace when we're dead and buried  
And into worms we morph?

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