

Trail of the Broken C

The legend of the broken C
Has overlooked the facts you see
Of how the trail could not commit
The brokenness of money spent
Of how the C was first conceived
A gift to one so dearly pleased
And love was with the well-intended
Along this trail from start to ended

How did the C become so broken?
Internal damage as was spoken
And marred if not a blunt force made
Would have to happen after played?
Yes, at the start the C was loaded
Packed with care incased in packing
Insured as well for money spent
And class as "fragile" as was meant

And further still did Dell extend
A warrant for its fit and function
The trail was planned at every step
The C was gift with all intention
Of ending with the well deserved
Child of one always preserved
But, Oh this trail marked by tears
The burden placed, the loss of years

C was not broken along the trail,
Or at the start when well received?
The truth is it could not have happened,
But child is once-again deceived
The abject blow that broke the C
Was made from one so close at hand
A history of the same behavior
Breaks the C, sours the favor

A legend of the broken C
Is deeply rooted in favor kept
Of good intentions from the start
But outcome marred by vague deception
The truth – so sad – is C in question
Was broken at the end reception
The saga thus will never end
At Bitter Root and Anger Bend



About the verse, “Trail of the Broken C”

Only with the addition of the illustration is the “C” understood to be a computer. The backdrop of this verse is a recent attempt to send one of my children a graduation gift. Purchased, packaged and preserved for shipment; the computer purportedly was received with both a broken shell or casing, and a damaged internal drive. Naturally, I was upset with the fact that my child was upset; and what’s more, his testimony on the matter suggesting that I intentional damaged the computer before sending it.

Having written on this matter before, I am well prepared to defend the certainty that the computer was not damaged during shipment: insured, packaged and classed as “fragile”; the possibility for damage – particularly if the parcel had no apparent damage – would be virtually impossible considering the described damage. No, the “legend” lends strongly to another cause for the “broken C”; that the damage did not occur along the “trail” – or even at the start – but after receipt at the end – before delivered to my child.

The “trail” is too trodden to think of any other course; the C was broken at end – along “Bitter Root” and “Anger Bend”.