

NERO

Life as we know it is over
or haven't you noticed?
O frog in the pot
heating
simmering sizzling
until - Grenouille!

Or else you're trying
with might and main
to not
notice
since
pretence
is survival.

Or
on the other hand
if there's still another hand
it's - what else?
your money!
buying
blissful
coveted
insulation.

- Diane Sophrin.
Vermont (8.24.19)