

Lit

Mr. Frost: while your name
may allude to ice, you contend
that fire has just the same
potential to bring our world's end.

But had you lived to see your
grandchildren play Final Fantasy
back in nineteen eighty-four,
I think you might have come to see

that you were forgetting
a third element - Lit
(a term for lightning
shortened to eight-bit).

Circling atoms, it roars
to the earth from a grey
sky. Yet it is the source
of every convenience today.

Ice can be beaten by grains
of salt, while nothing wet
burns under a hydrant's rains.
Fire and ice are no threat.

But the only true danger
of Lit - what if the spark
became to us a stranger
and we were lost in the dark?