A Panel for the AIDS Quilt

The face-off of the homosexuals
Is that they cannot find a paradigm.
Domestic is not it. Have not we all
Thrown up, or near, at isometricists
In kitchen aprons? Nor is some platoon
Of lover-warriors improvement. Who
Wants to re-up beside an opposite
Unable to decide (it shows in bed)
On active or on passive? Platonists
At least perceive the awkwardness. Plato,
However, over-furnished and sealed off
Pure closet, from which Alcibiades
Had common sense enough to "out" himself.
Discipleship is worse than playing house.
And human self-deception does not go
Beyond a sex-change, measured next to which
Transvestites seem intelligent. Drag queens
Do, necessarily, know budgeting.
How else afford their double wardrobes? Gay--
And in the word, more self-deception breeds,
But here concede the usage--activists
Have done more harm than good, or if they've not
Are sewing circles more or less manqué,
Although that quilt... As in the taste of game,
Edwardians could teach us much, first off
That sex is in the doing, not the talking.
Lock the door and keep your mouth shut. Bellhops
Have pass keys, but it's bound to be your word
Against theirs. Blab yourself, the balance shifts.
The integrated personality?
It's an invention of psychiatrists.
The double life is what comes naturally.
For all we know, prince Albert may have seen
Balmoral gillies and their legs and kilts
More intimately than Victoria.
All you who demonstrate at City Hall
For Spousal Benefits and Bangle Rights,
The only benefit you reall need,
That of the doubt, your openness denies.