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The overwhelming response to J. Lee Samerdyke's artwork on the cover of our May/June '99 issue served as inspiration for this cover. J.J. Audubon is primarily known for his *Birds of America* art; few know that he died working on a book, *Quadrupeds of North America*. It was completed by his sons, and one of the best in that book is his rendition of the badger. Ms. Samerdyke offers another Audubon cover sure to generate as much praise as her first.

On Wisconsin!

*"Autumn came down in the night with the wind across the orchard, Easily, far-forth, deliberate, brilliant with anvil flare: Pouring the crucible wealth of June out of the tortured Leaves that we quietly stir now and trample in the morning air."*

— David McCord  
"Oversonnet"

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