

Pair of Pants

I have some pants I like a lot:
they seem to fit well through
vagaries of weight,
the material remains thick and sturdy
despite repeated washings,
and there is only slight fraying
on the cuffs at the heels.

I have some other pants I don't like so well:
the size is actually larger than the first
but you wouldn't know it from how they fit,
the material is thin when held to the light,
and they are rotting from the inside
with pockets disintegrating developing
holes large enough for keys to slip through.
This seems a no-brainer,
but when I do the calculations
I find I wear the latter pants
more than I do the former.

– Jeffery Greb