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It's been so long since I monkeyed around with quills, I'm not sure I remember this right or not. I think so though.. Although I'm sure that age of the quills is a factor in brittleness, I'm also pretty certain that the bleaching process dries them out and also contributes.

I always kept my quills in a jar full of water. Little bit of as pain in the willie, but I think it made a difference. At one time, I also had a formula around here somewhere for a glycerin-based solution to store them in that makes them as limp as overdone pasta, but doesn't affect their strength.

That's what I remember, anyway...