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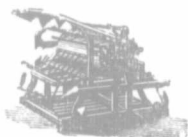
THE wind to the west is steady,
The weather is sweet and fair;
Laburnum slender lady,
Shakes out her yellow hair.

Magnolia like a stranger,
Stands stiffly all alone;
I think a word would change her
Into a flower of stone.

The solid Guelder roses
Are white as dairy cream
The hyacinths fade, like posies;
The cloud hangs in a dream.

And dreams of light and shadow
The sleeping meadow shake,
But the king-cup shines in the meadow,
A gold eye wide awake.

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