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#### A Dream of Summer.

By John Greenleaf Whittier.

Bland as the morning breath of June The southwest breezes play; And through its haze the winter noon Seems warm as summer's day. The snow-plumed Angel of the North Has dropped his icy spear; Again the mossy earth looks forth, Again the streams gush clear.

The fox his hillside cell forsakes, The musk-rat leaves his nook The blue-bird in the meadow brakes Is singing with the brook, Bear up, O Mother Nature!" cry Bird, breeze and streamlet free; 'Our winter voices phophesy Of summer days to thee.'

So, in these winters of the soul, By hitter blasts and drear O'erswept from Memory's frozen pole, Will sunny days appear. Reviving hope and faith, they show The soul its living powers, And how, beneath the winter's snow, Lie germs of summer flowers.

The Night is mother of the Day, And Winter of the Spring; And ever, upon old decay The greenest mosses cling Behind the cloud the starlight lurks, Through showers and sunbeams fall; For God, who loveth all his works, Hath left His love with all!

#### A Good Dog Story.

One can almost always find a good story about animals in the London Spectator. The following is reproduced from a book called Wild Sports of the Highlands. The author writes that the most curious example of a dog's understanding of conversation was shown him by a shepherd. Like the dogs of modern Greece, which keep watch along the little banks that enclose their master's barley fields, the sheep dogs watch their master's small crop of oats with great fidelity and keenness, keeping off all intruders in the shape of cattle, sheep and horses. A shepherd once, to prove the value of his dog, which was lying before the fire in the house, said in the middle of a sentence concerning something else, 'I'm thinking, sir, the cow is in the potatoes.' The dog, which appeared to be asleep, immediately jumped up, and, leaping through the open window, scrambled up the turf roof of the house, where he could see the potato field. He then, not seeing the cow, ran and looked into the stall where she was standing, and finding that all was right, came back to the house. The shepherd said the same thing again, when the dog once more made its patrol. But on the doubt being uttered a third time, it got up, looked at its master, and when he laughed, growled and curled up again by the fire.

#### Greatest Choir on Earth.

Russia boasts of the world's greatest choir. It is the cathedral of Alexander Nevski, in St. Petersburg, and is attached to a convent erected in honor of the patron saint of Russia. Its members, of which there are about three hundred, are all monks, and are chosen from the best voices in all the Russian monasteries.

When a fine singer appears among the singers, he is sent to the monastery of Alexander Nevski, where he is trained as carefully as an opera singer, and remains there, doing nothing except assist at the music at mass in the morning and vespers in the afternoon, until he becomes aged, when he retires on a pension.

The monks are vegetarians; they never eat meat. The rules of the Russian church forbid them to shave, and their hair is worn like a woman's. Unlike ordinary monks, they are fastidious about their appearance, and put up their hair and whiskers in paper every night, so that they cott Suit Co., are wavy and curly.

#### Flour in China.

MADE OF ALMOST EVERYTHING EX-CEPT WHEAT.

The Chinese cook stuck the end of an ivory chopstick into a small brown bis-

"Taste, sir," he said.

The biscuit was warm, crisp, rich; it was light, well salted, nutritious-a biscuit, in a word, of peculiar excellence. "This biscuit, sir, is made of flour of lentils," said the Chinaman. "You know lentils? Little green pellets, slightly flattened, like split peas. Lentils are considered the most nutritious of all foods on the earth. This one lentil biscuit, sir, is equal in nourishing power to a pound and a half of roast beef."

He took from a tin a little cake. 'Again taste,' he said.

The little cake was rich and good. "It is made, sir, of the flour of almonds," said the cook-" fresh, sweet almonds, ground into a white powder be-

tween two millstones. Such a flour is a

finer thing than your flour of wheat, eh?" Then he lifted a great lid and revealed some thirty or forty compartments, one filled with a pink flour, another with a yellow one, a third with a brown one, a fourth with a white, a fifth with a pale green, a sixth with a blue, and so on. All these are Chinese flours," he said.

"In China, sir, we make over fifty kinds of flour. We make flour out of potatoes, out of sweet potatoes, out of peas, out of cocoanuts, out of millet, out of pulse, out of oats, out of bananas-the fact is, sir, we make flour in China out of everything but wheat, for in China, sir, we eat no bread, and, therefore, the coarse, dry, tasteless flour of wheat is useless to us."-[Philadelphia Bulletin.

#### The Old Apple-tree.

By Marjorie March.

Beneath the shady apple-tree I lay me down awhile,

And life is naught but happiness and earth a sunlit smile,

As, patting down the tangled grass, I see a leaf-crossed sky,

And hear the laughter of the brook which softly ripples by;

And dream of days that used to be in childish times of old,

When, storming round the ancient tree, we babes were warriors bold,

And saved the lovely princess imprisoned

high above, That she might live forever, in a cottage fenced with love.

The little brook has sung its song these

many cherished days,

And I have wandered many miles and searched time's varied ways,

But find no surer place to rest, to dream life has no stain,

'neath the old grandma's orchard lane.

Now is Time very foolish? or perchance it is all wise?

That Nature seems perfection in child-

hood's happy eyes.

You stooping, gnarled old apple-tree, my plaything of the past,

I owe you shade, and gratitude for memories that last.

#### Recipes.

Adelaide Cake.-1 lb. Five Roses flour, 1 lb. sugar, 1 lb. butter, 6 eggs, 1 cup milk. Flavor with lemon.

Ginger Snaps.-1 cup molasses, 1 cup brown sugar, 1 cup lard and butter melted, 3 tablespoons ginger, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 teaspoon soda dissolved in 1 cup boiling water. Make into dough with Five Roses flour.

#### Knew What He Was.

A little girl was out walking with her aunt one day. The aunt bowed to a man they were passing.

"Who is he, Aunt Jennie?" asked the little girl.

Mrs. Littlefield told her that he was Mr. Melrose, the village undertaker.

"Oh, yes," replied the child, quickly, "I remember him. He undertook my grandmother."

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