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## The Literature of Nature

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THE proper study of mankind is man, declares Pope.  
Says a Hebrew poet:  
One thing have I desired of the Lord,  
That will I seek after;  
That I may dwell in the house of the Lord  
All the days of my life.

In these three declarations we find the themes with which literature concerns itself: The things that are seen, the things that are unseen, and man, in his relation both to the seen and the unseen. It is interesting to observe how in literature generally, and especially in English poetry,



"Aspects of Nature Gave Delight."

To behold the beauty of the Lord,  
And to enquire in His temple.

Wordsworth's testimony is to this effect:

"Nature to me was all in all."

these three great themes are linked. Some poets are humorists, some are naturalists, and some are religious poets. But any broad view must consider the three themes in their relation to one another. Man lives in the