



LAKE LOUISE

By Alice M. Winlow.

A silver rose sleeps in the jewelled lake
 Where shines as in a glass Victoria's peak
 Crested with snow, that falling flake by flake
 Fashions a hoary crown. The mountains bleak
 Are glacier-gored, and crystalline, green aisles
 Break through turquoise, ice-hewn galleries;
 While at the base, mid snow eternal, smiles
 The heaven-reflecting water, Lake Louise.

At dawn the lake dreams, shimmering in the light,
 An opal fallen where the shadows lie,
 The fragrant breath of morn is all too slight
 To mar the image of the green-gold sky.
 Moons of ice, encrusting gems of snow,
 And frozen frondage by a glacier stayed
 Are brightly mirrored in the lake below
 Like silver apples in a bowl of jade.

The first star finds the shadowy lake at rest,
 The heaven glows, a sapphire at that hour,
 With winnowed blue; and still the mountain crest
 Shines in the water like a burnished flower.
 Night—and cooling winds trace quivering bars
 Athwart heaven's imaged glory, where the trees
 Fall like cypress shades among the stars
 And the silver rose in the waters of Lake Louise.

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